

Numerical Simulations of GRB Afterglow Dynamics

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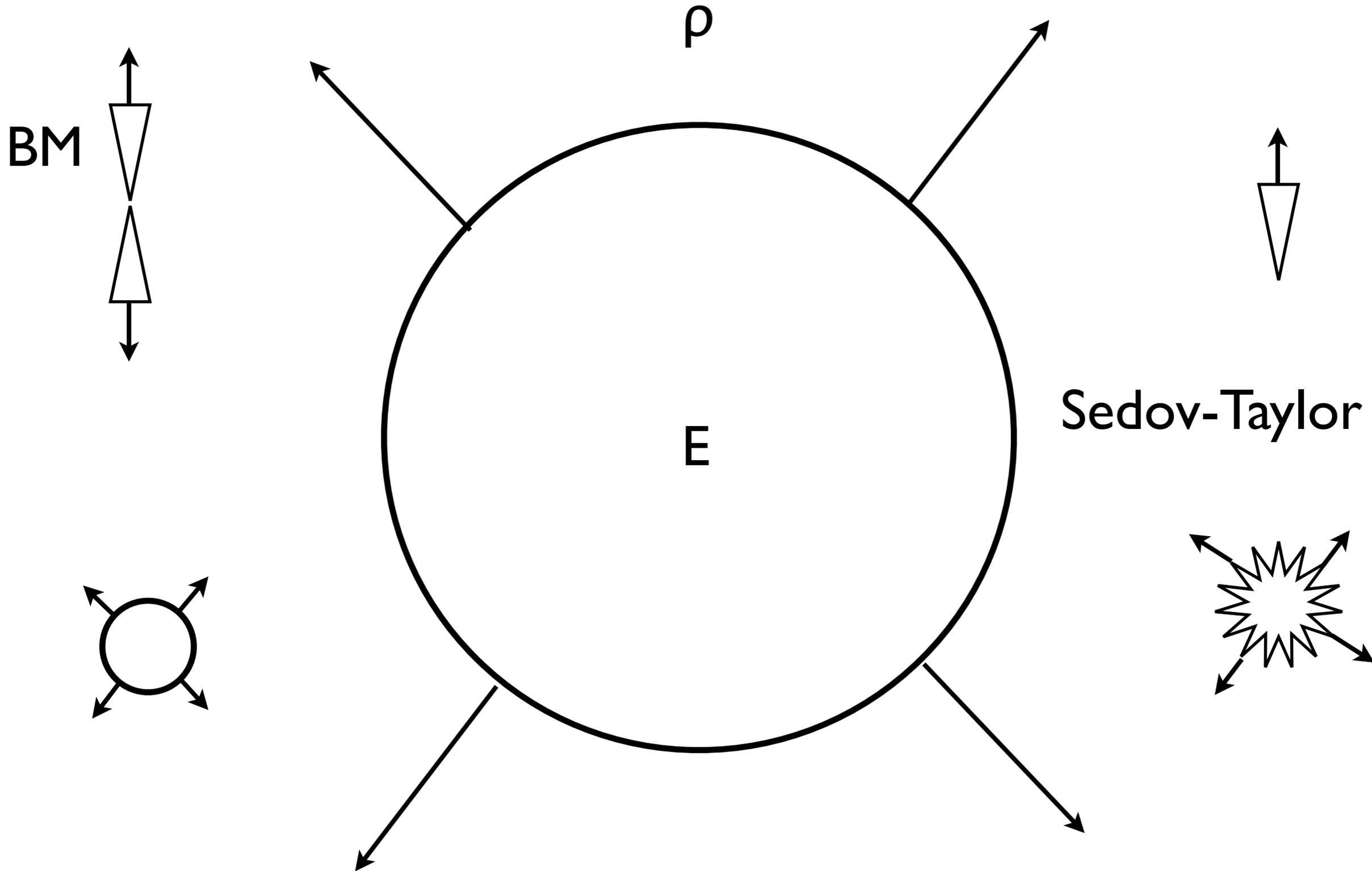
Outline

**2D High Resolution AG Jets:
Broadband Light Curves**

**Plasma Dynamics with
accurate PIC code: $\Gamma=2$**

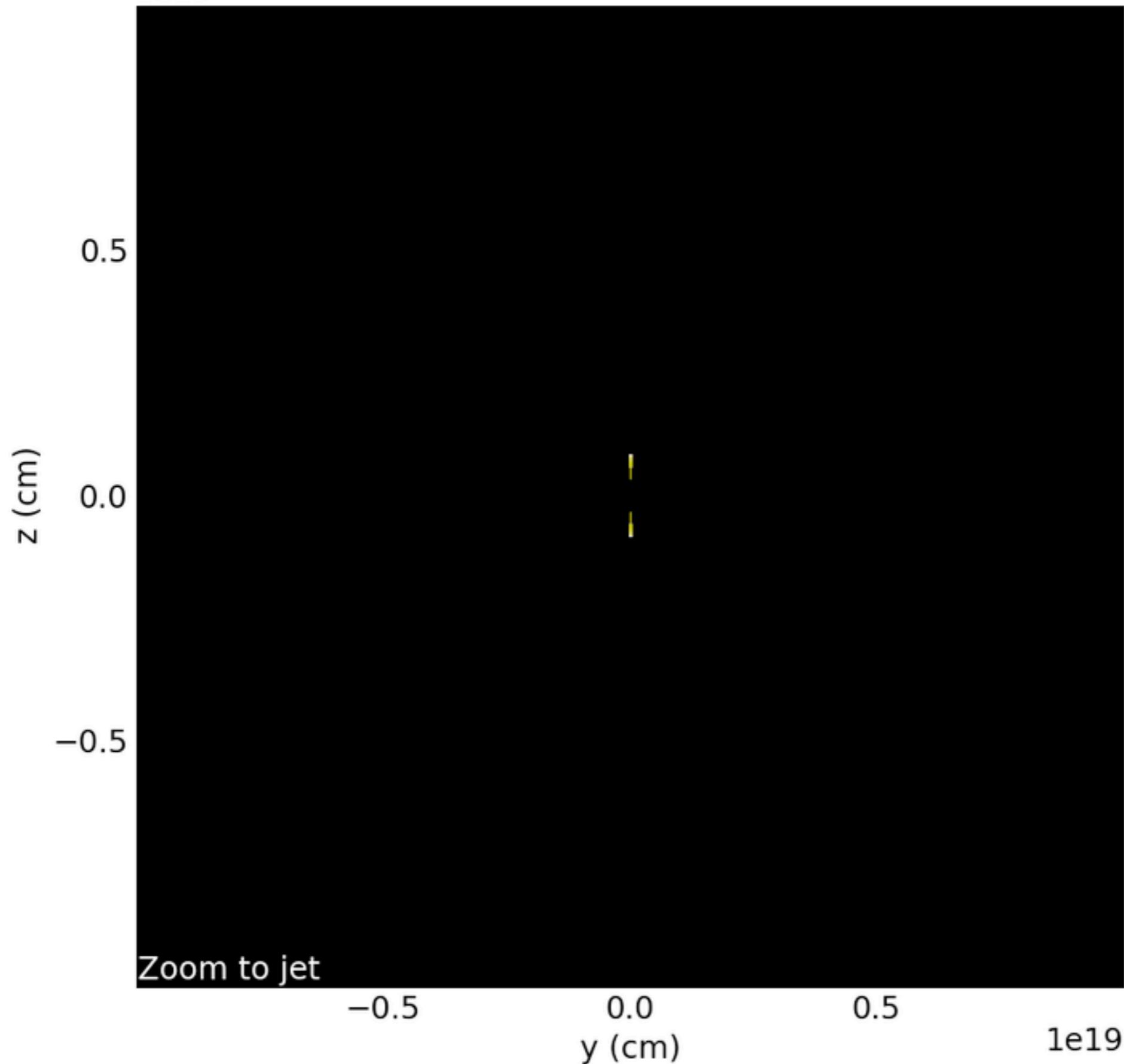
Relativistic MHD Turbulence

Spherical Attractor



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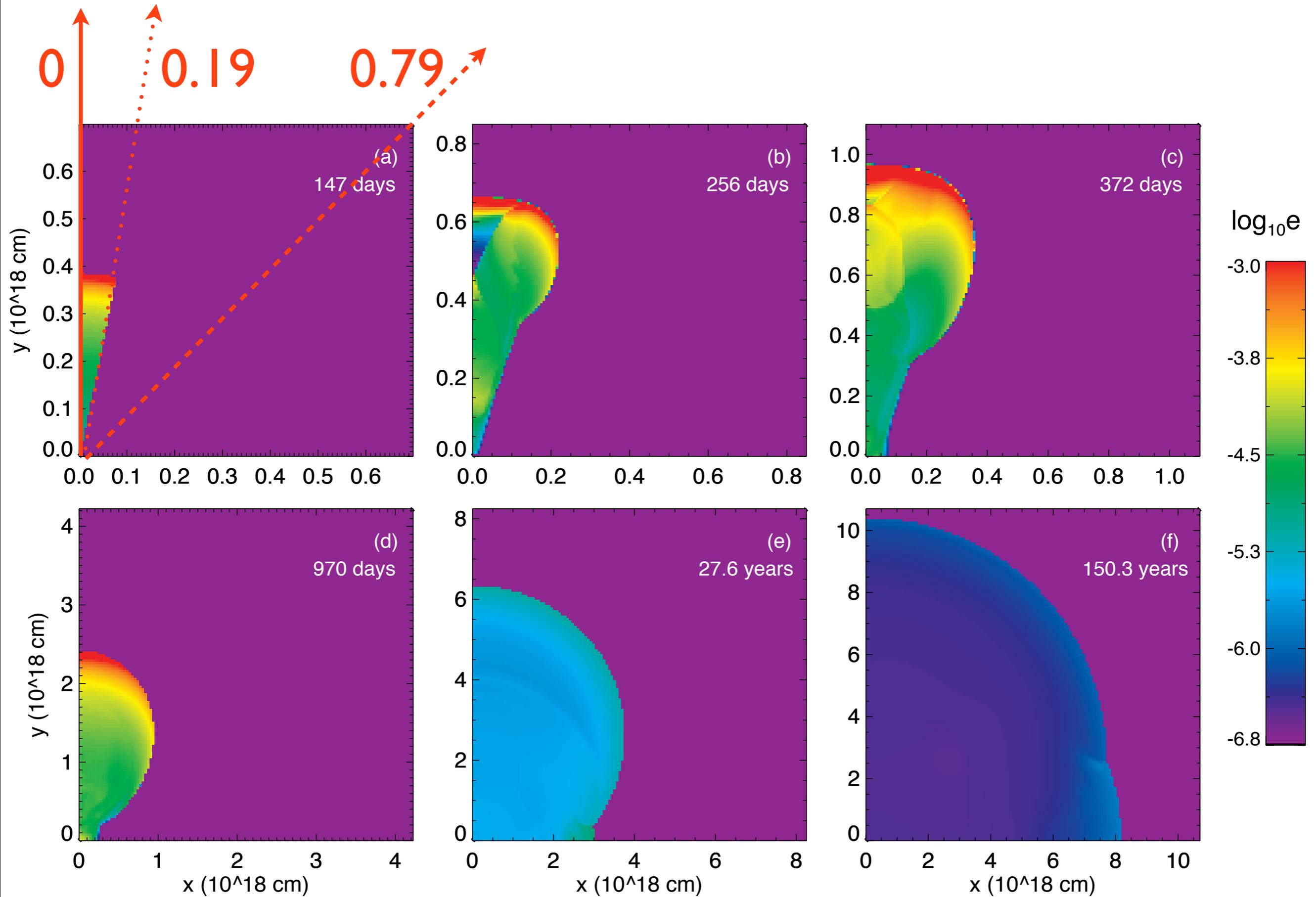
$1e19$ $t_{lab} \sim 3.2e+02$ days / $t_{obs} \sim 3.2e-02$ days



$E_j = 2e52$
 $\theta_j = 0.05$
 $n = 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

van Eerten & AM (in prep, 2010)

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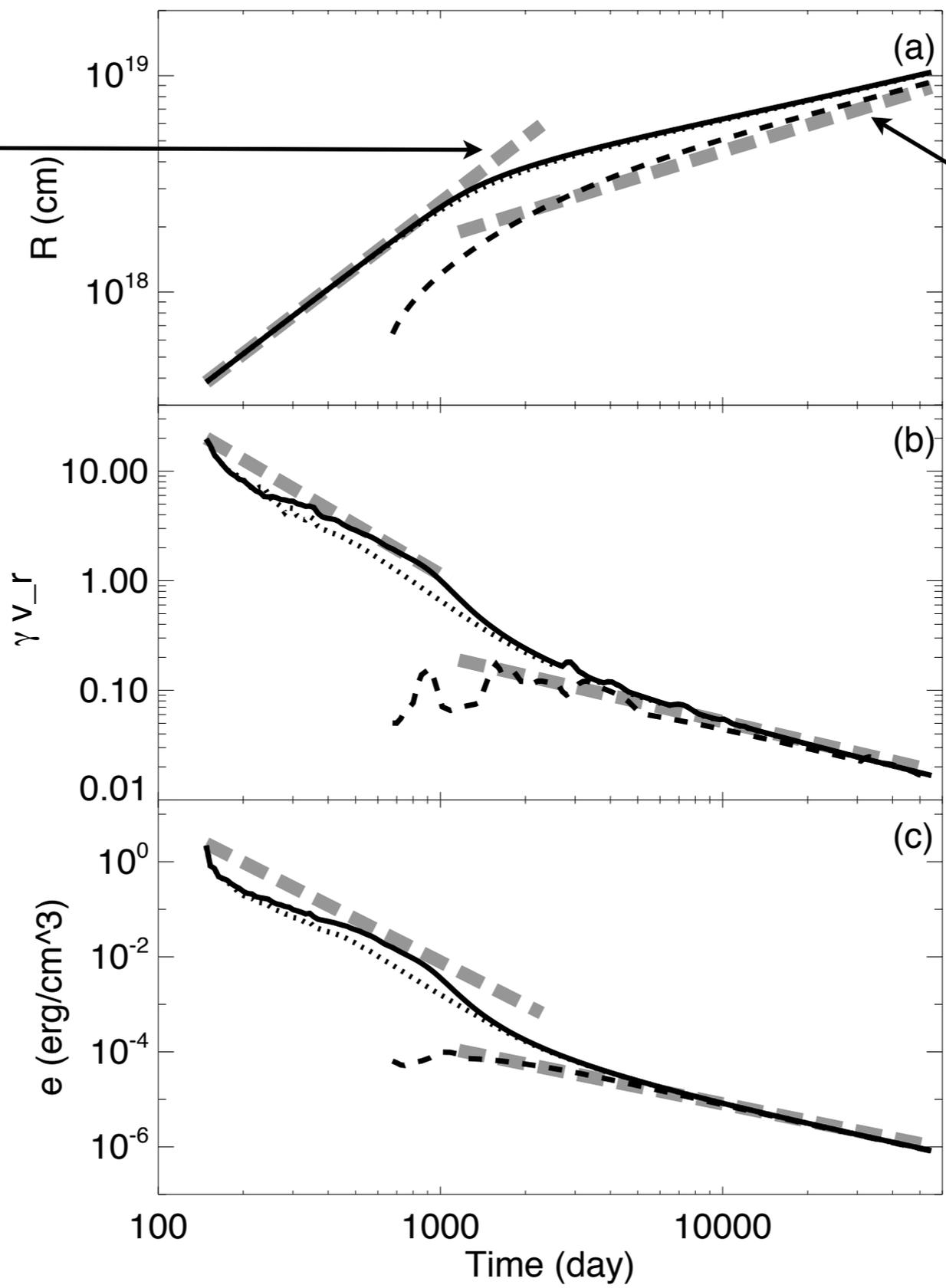


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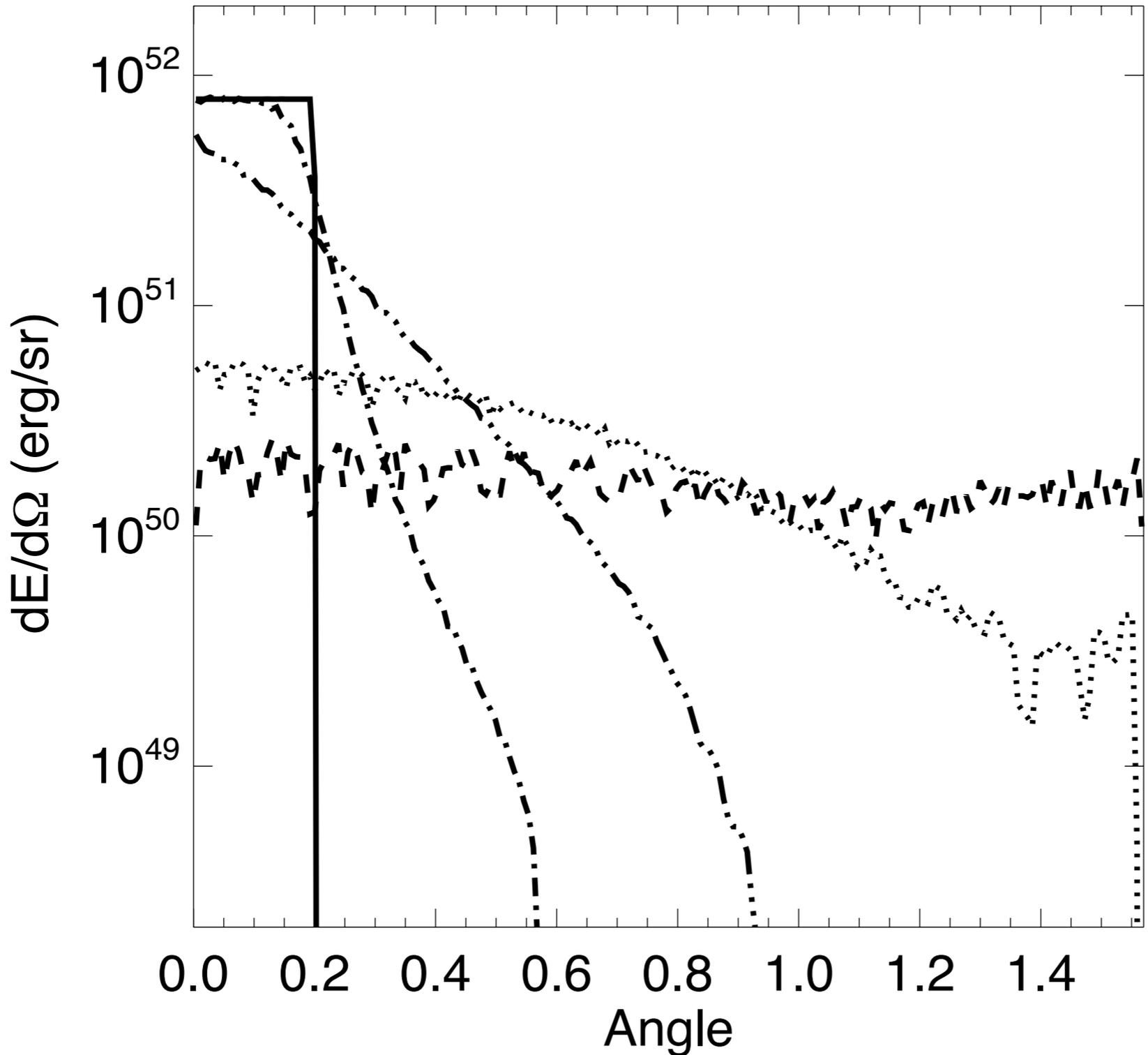
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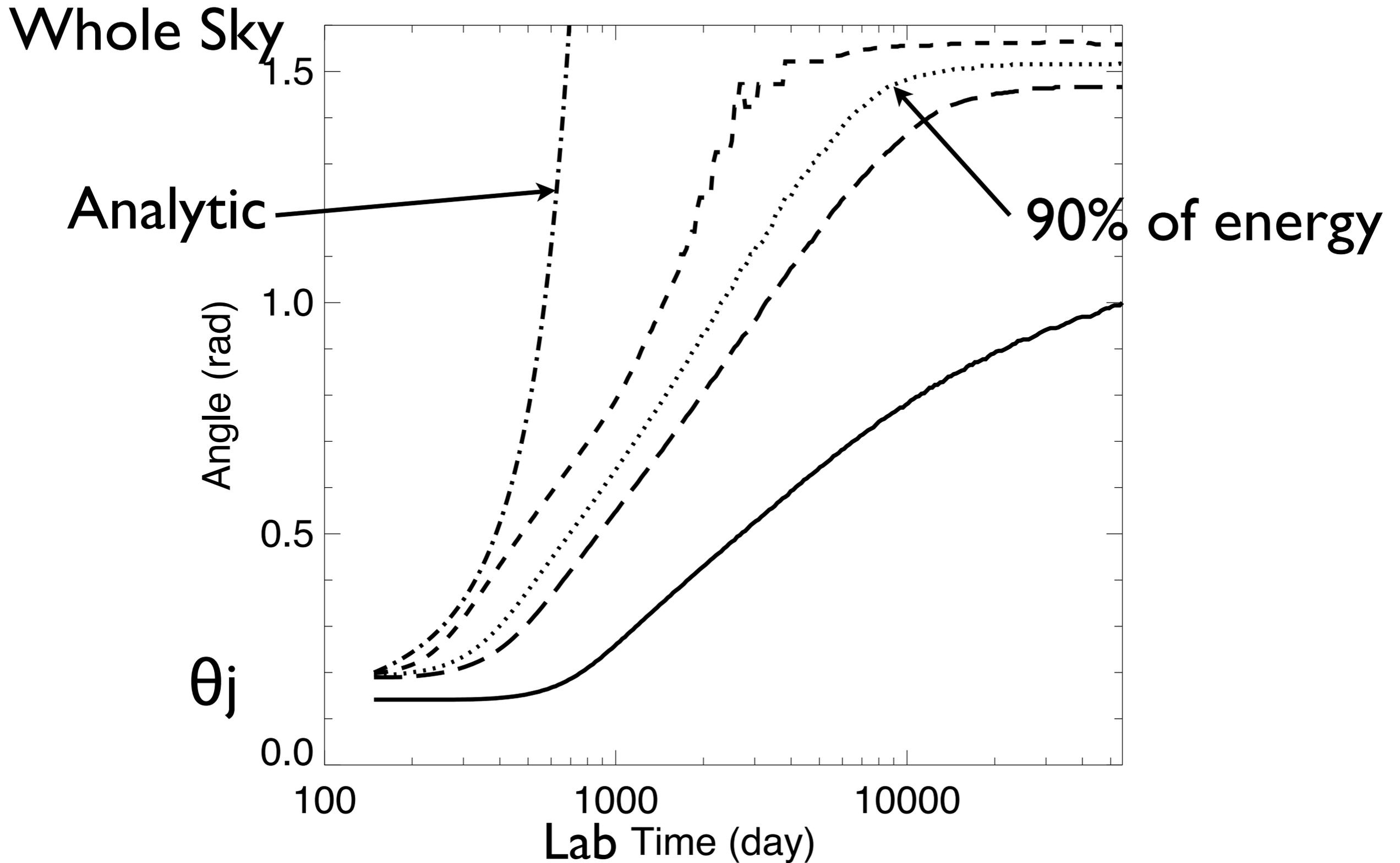
$$\theta = 0.019, \pi/4$$



1d: Kumar &
 2d: Zhang & MacFadyen (2009) Granot (2003)

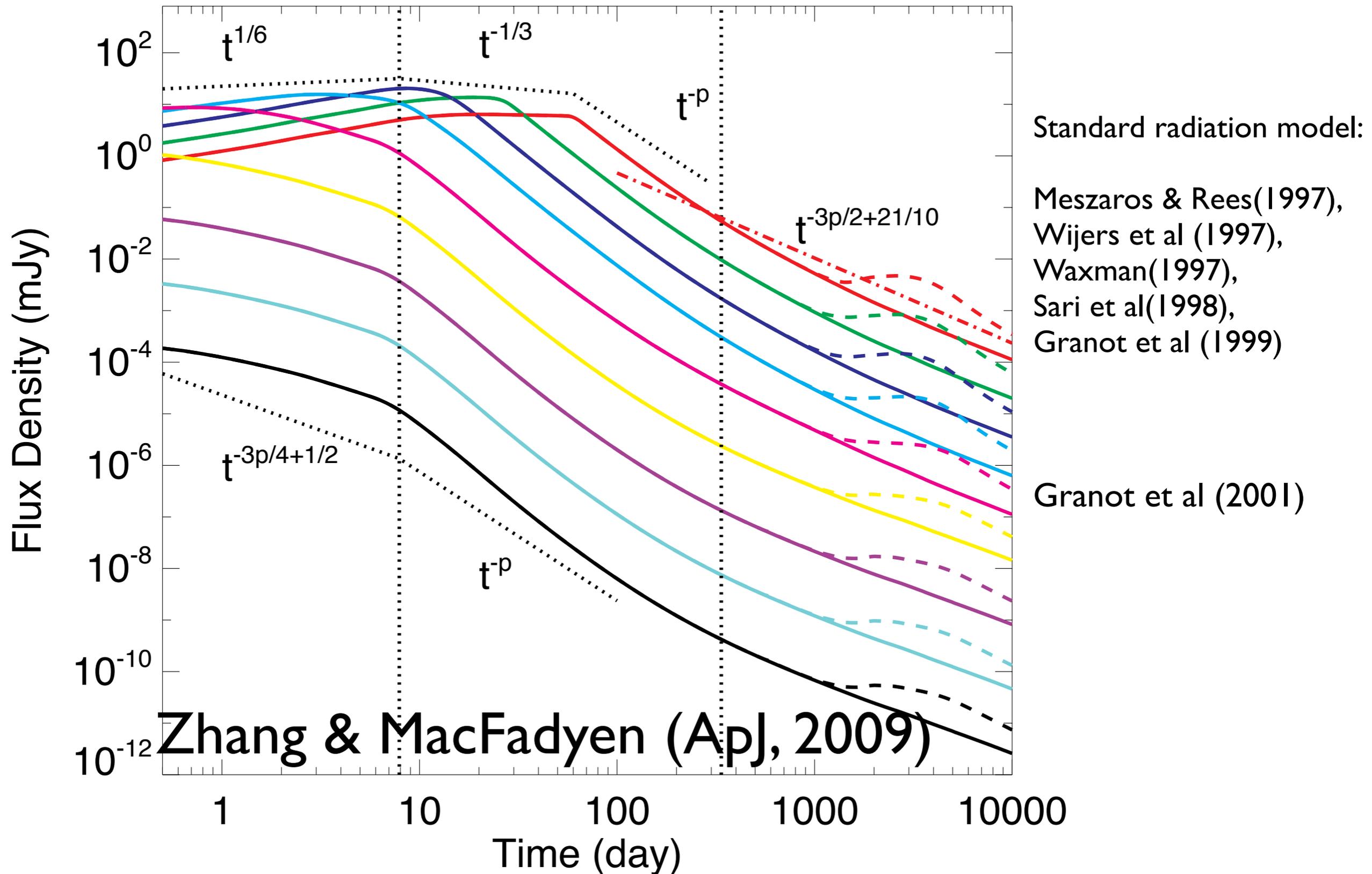
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SLOW SPREADING



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On Axis Light Curves

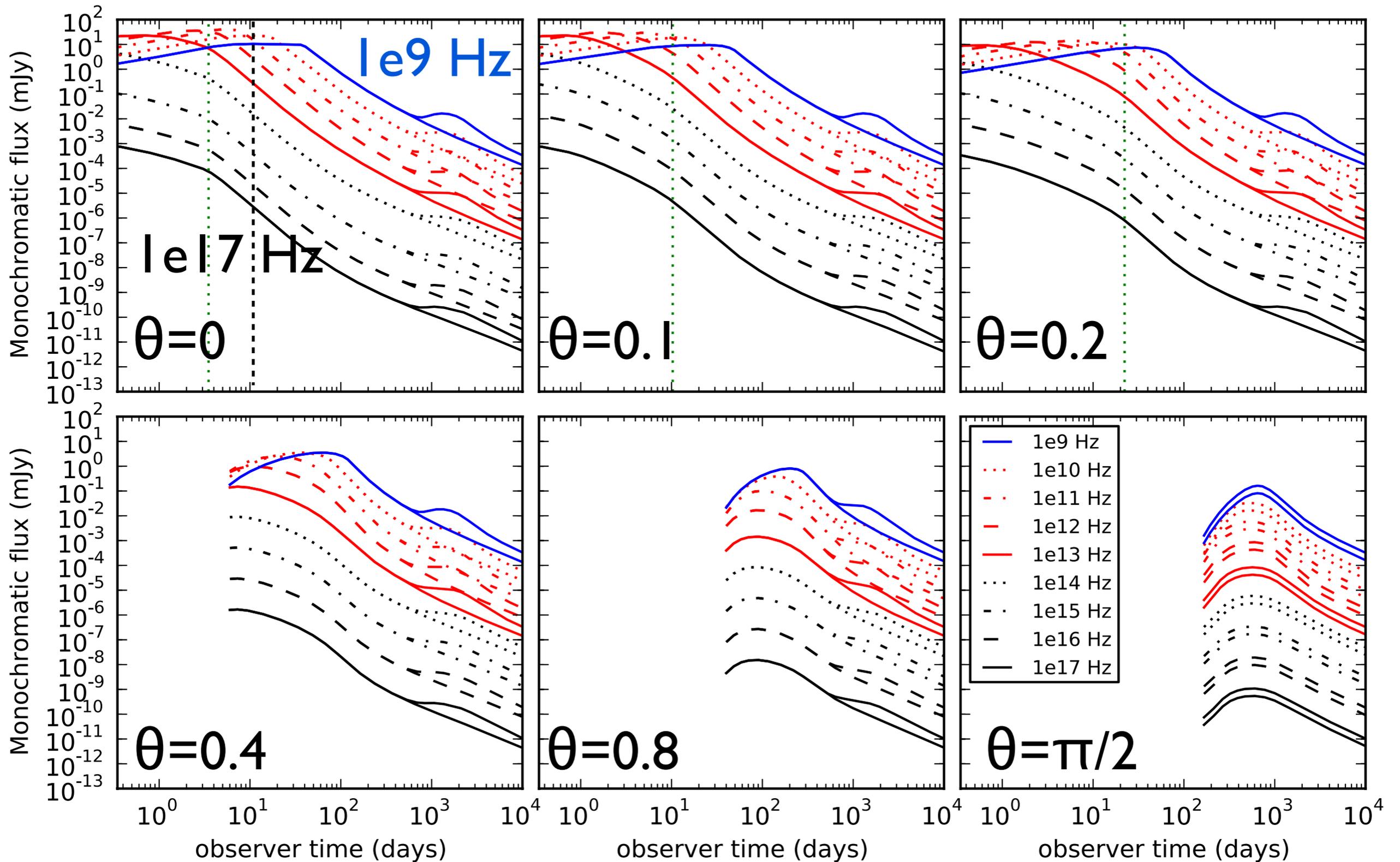


Zhang & MacFadyen (ApJ, 2009)

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Off-Axis Light Curves

van Eerten, Zhang & AM (ApJ, 2010)



Poster 3.05

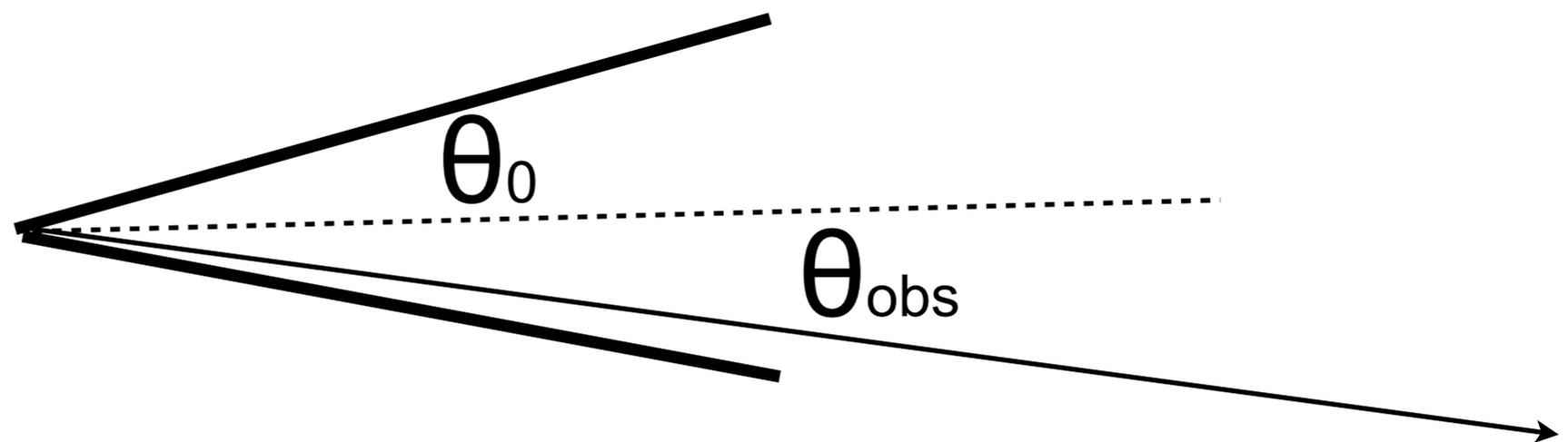
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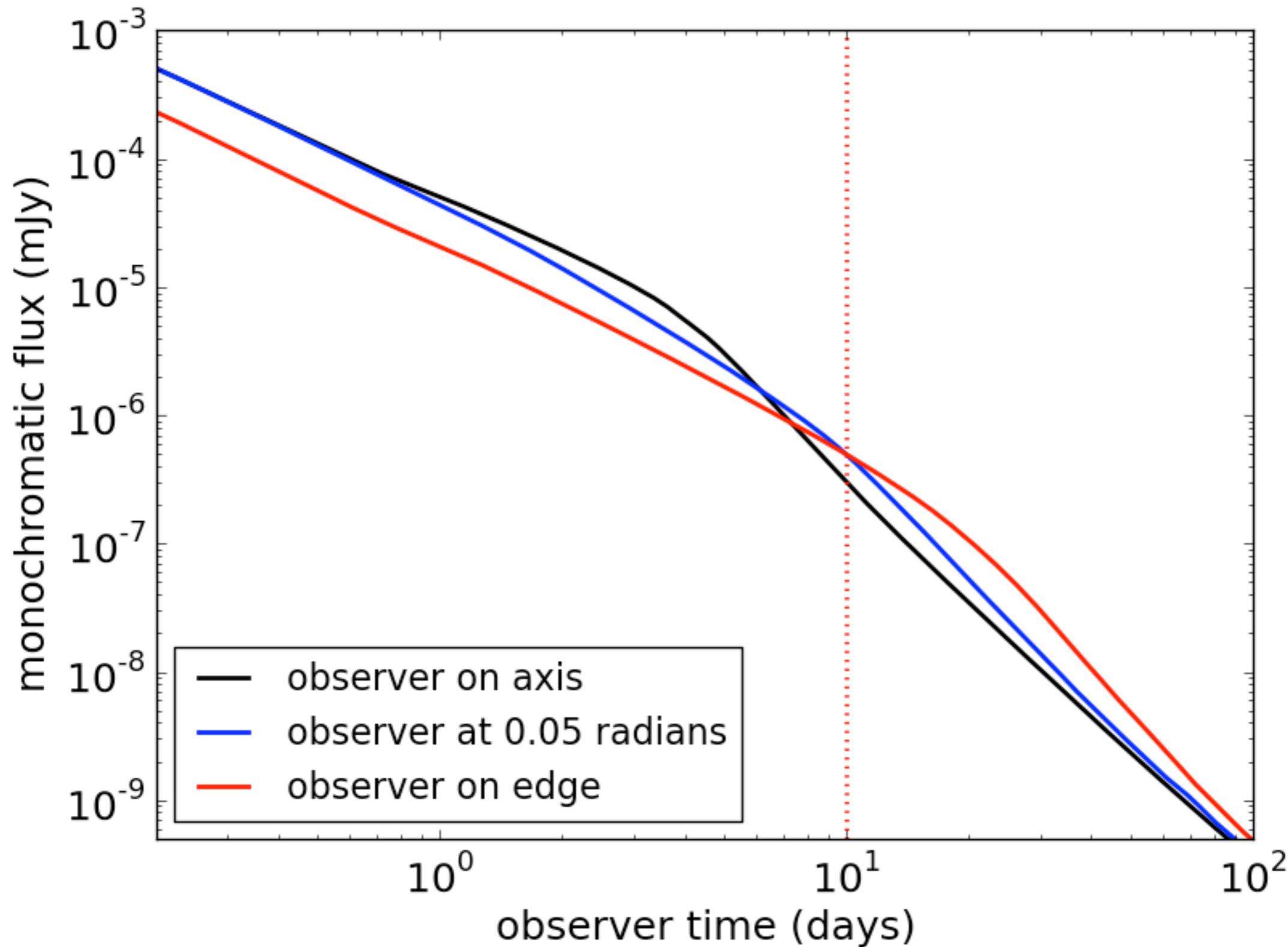
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Estimated Jet Break Time for Off-Axis Observer

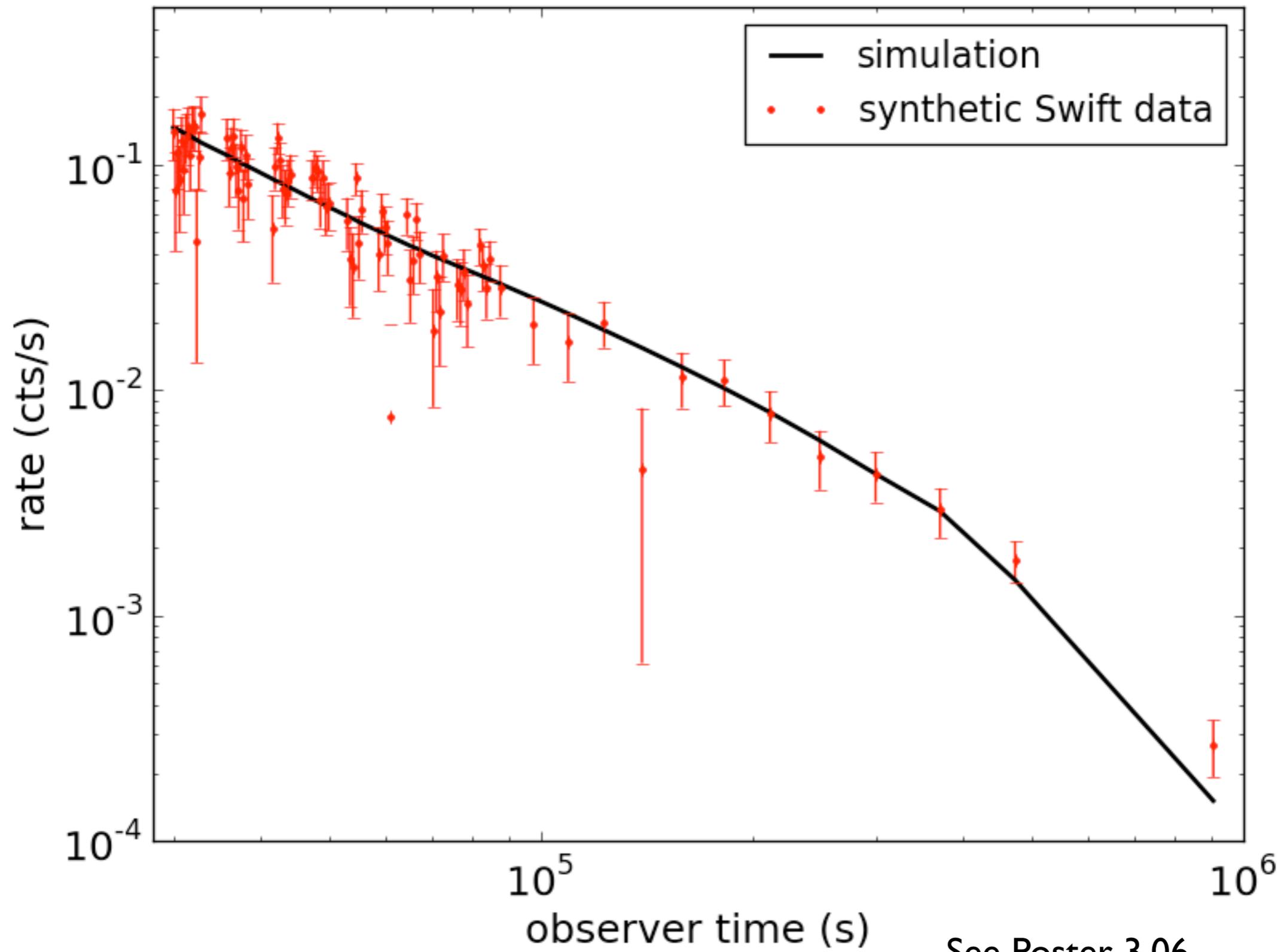
$$t_j = 3.5(1+z) E_{iso,53}^{1/3} M_1^{-1/3} \left(\frac{\theta_0 + \theta_{obs}}{0.2} \right)^{8/3} \text{ days,}$$





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On Axis



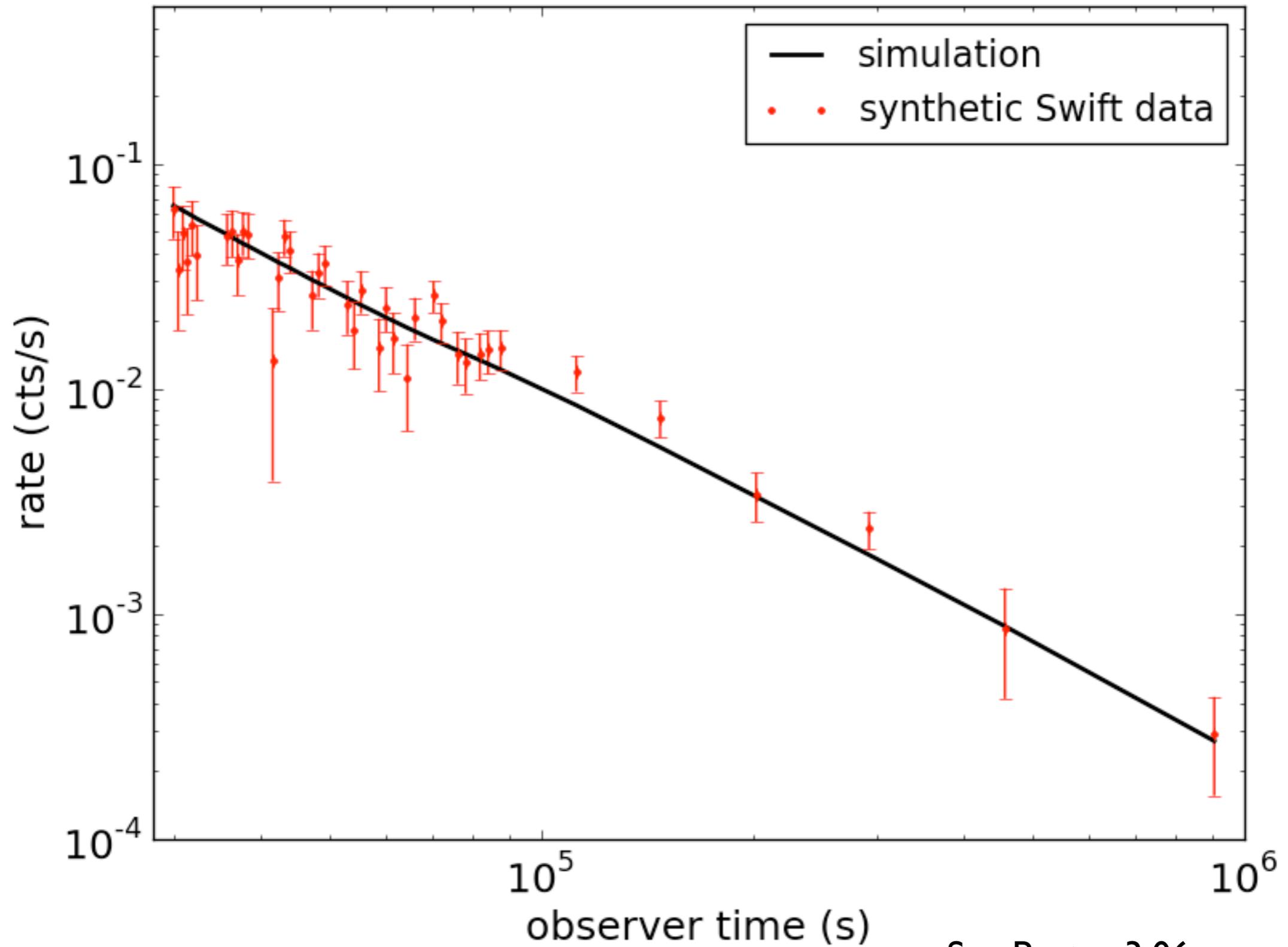
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On Edge

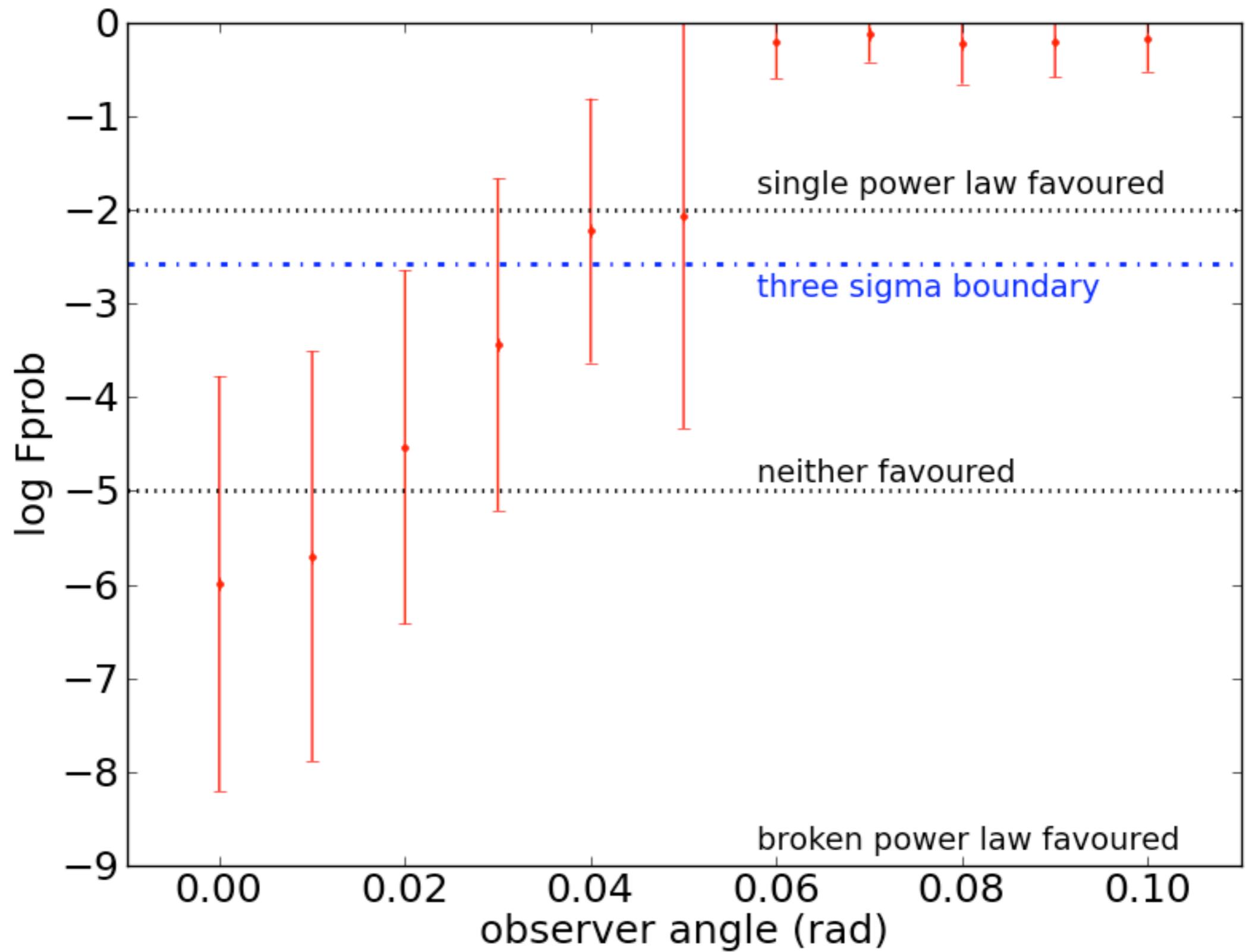


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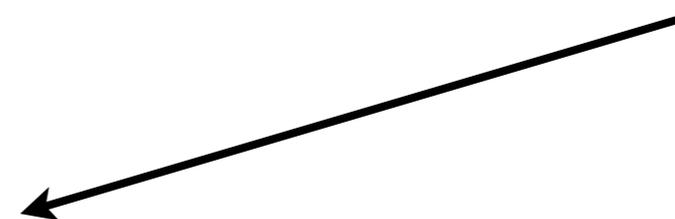
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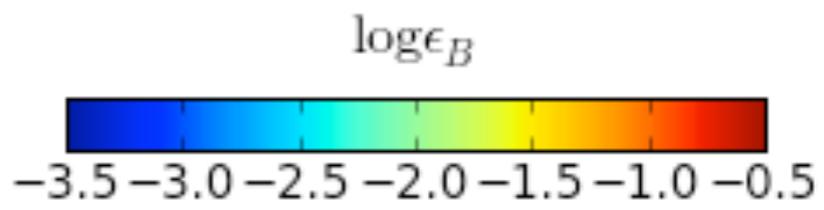
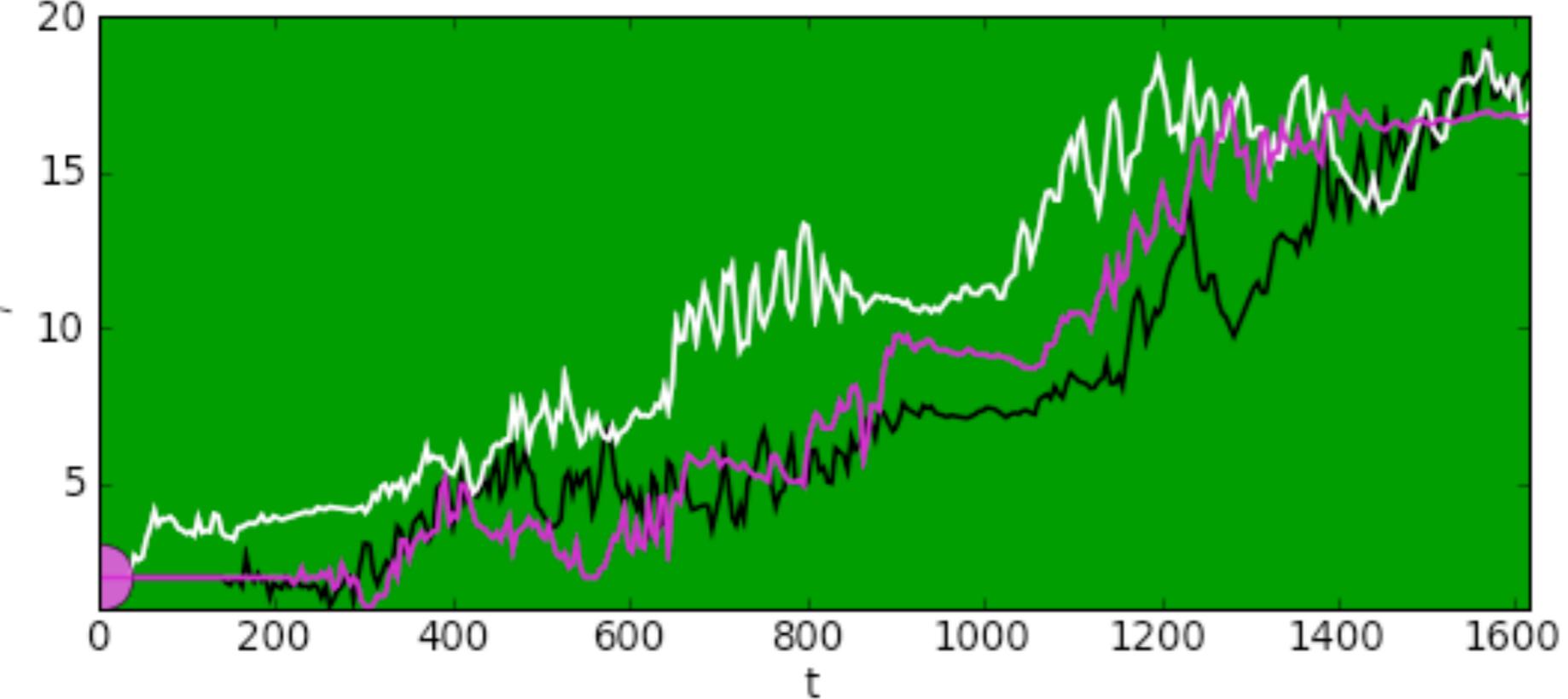
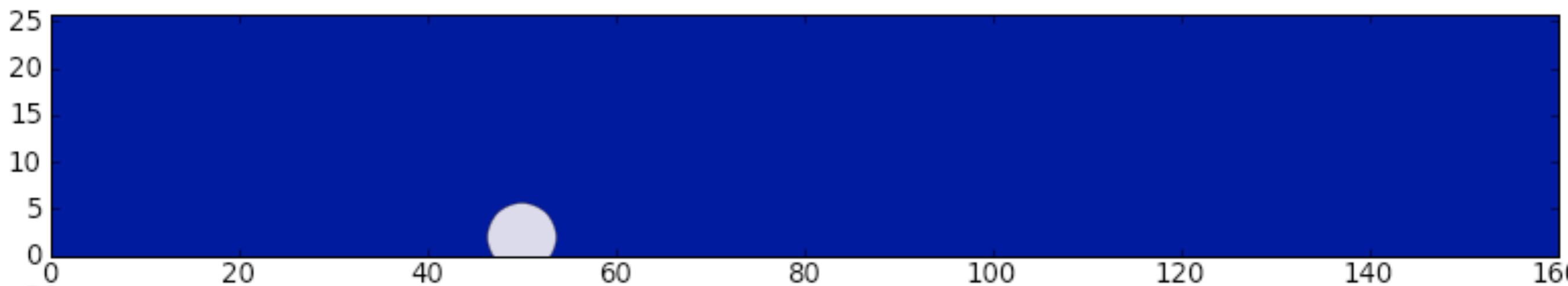
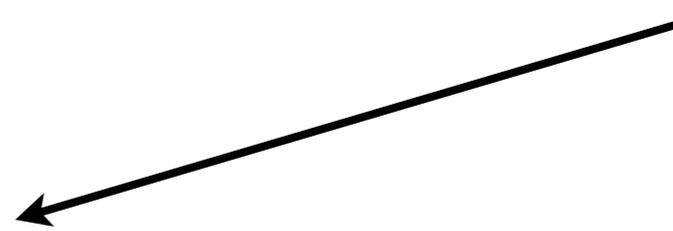
Shock



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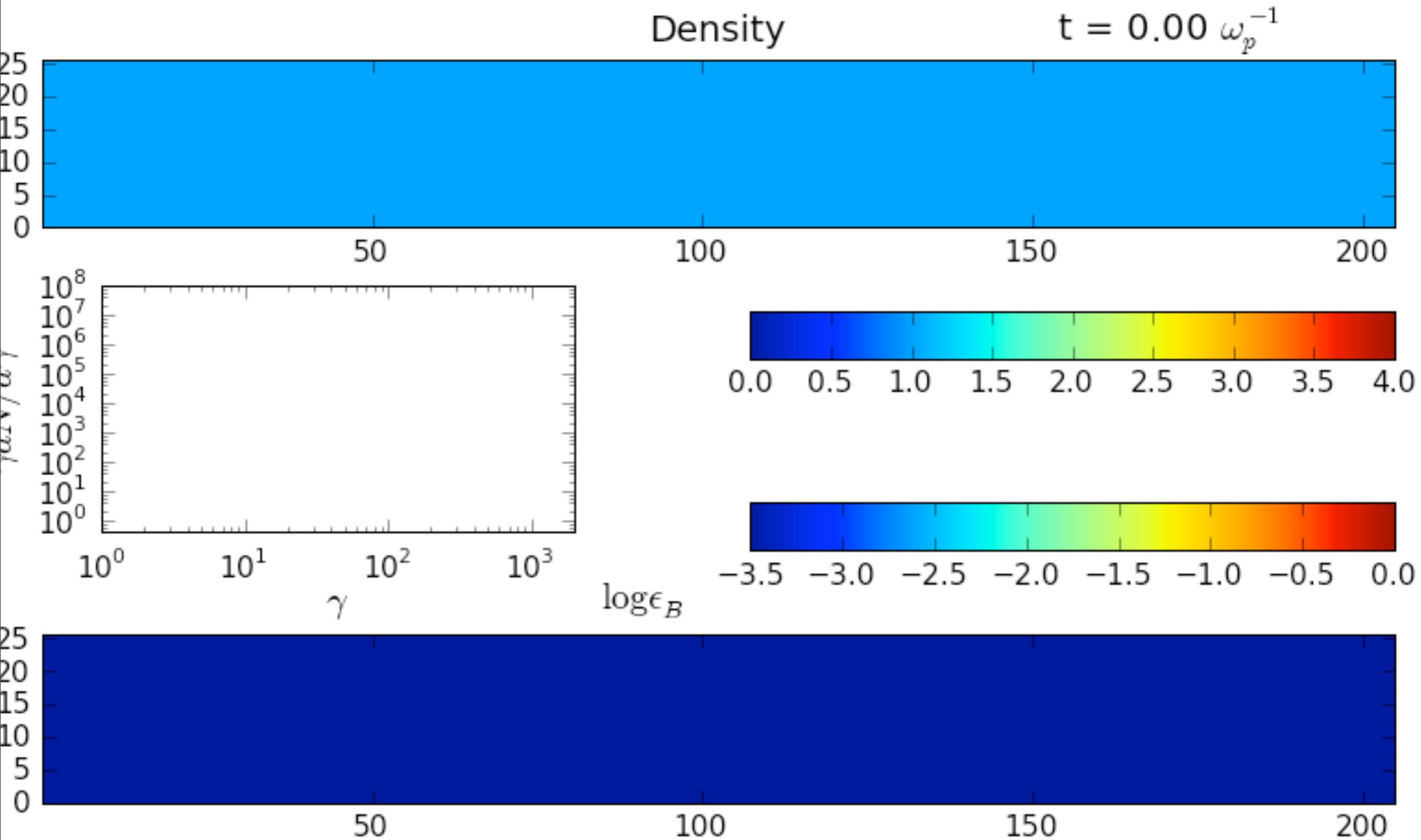
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$$t = 0.00 \omega_p^{-1}$$

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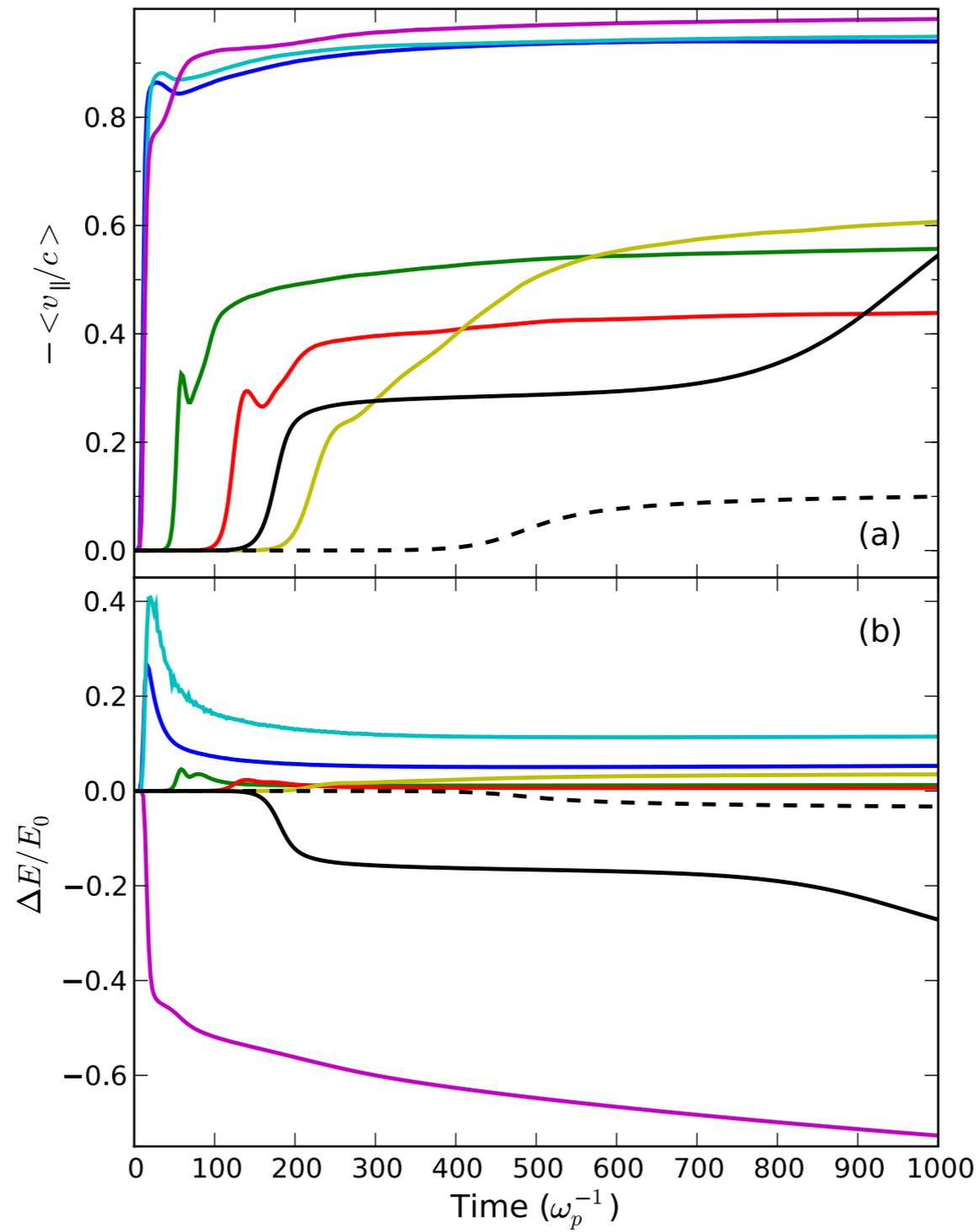
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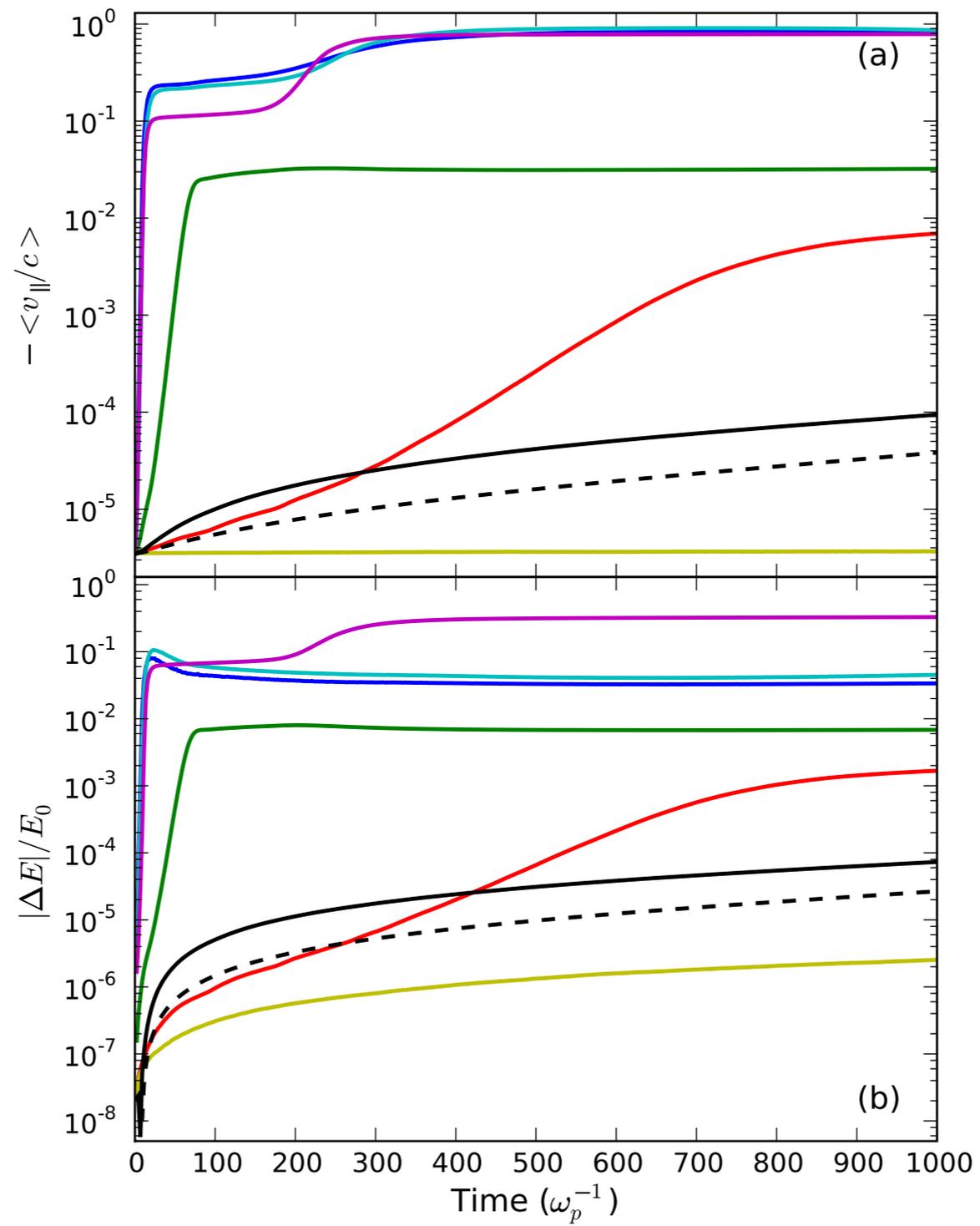
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$\Gamma = 15$

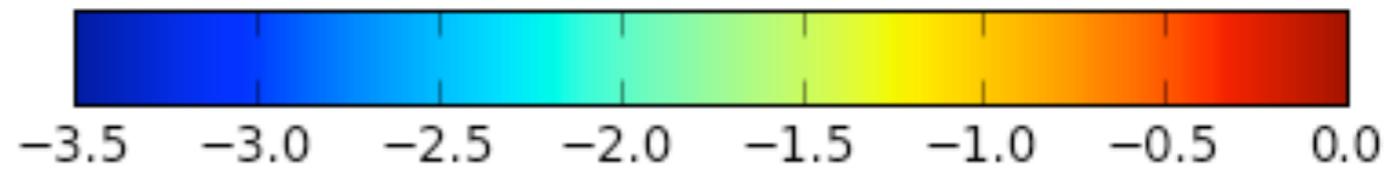
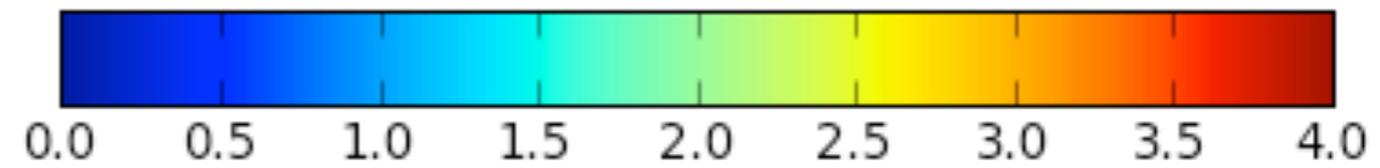
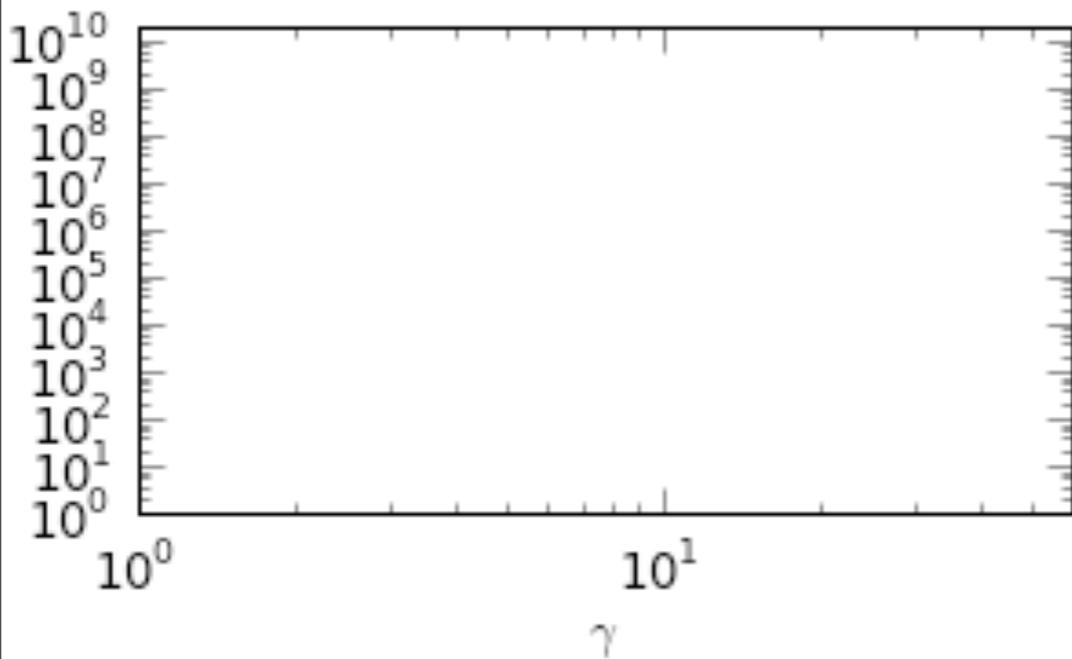
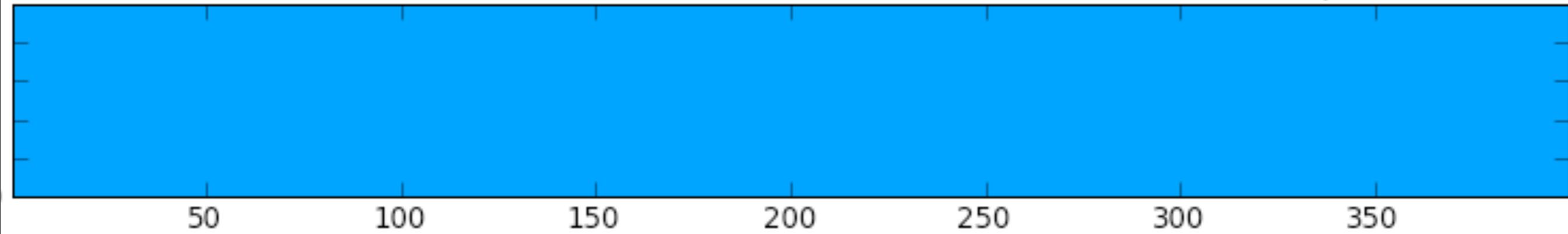


$$\Gamma = 2$$

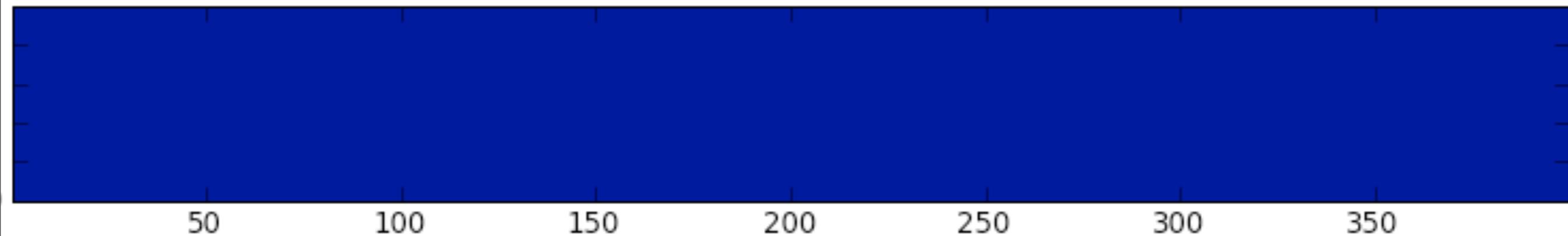


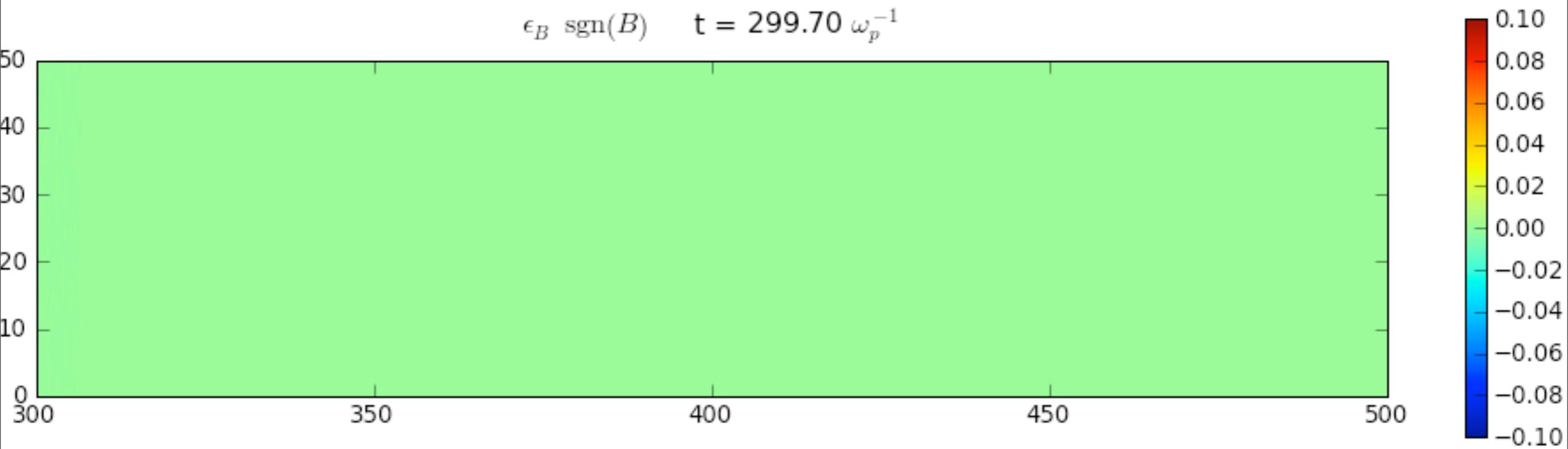
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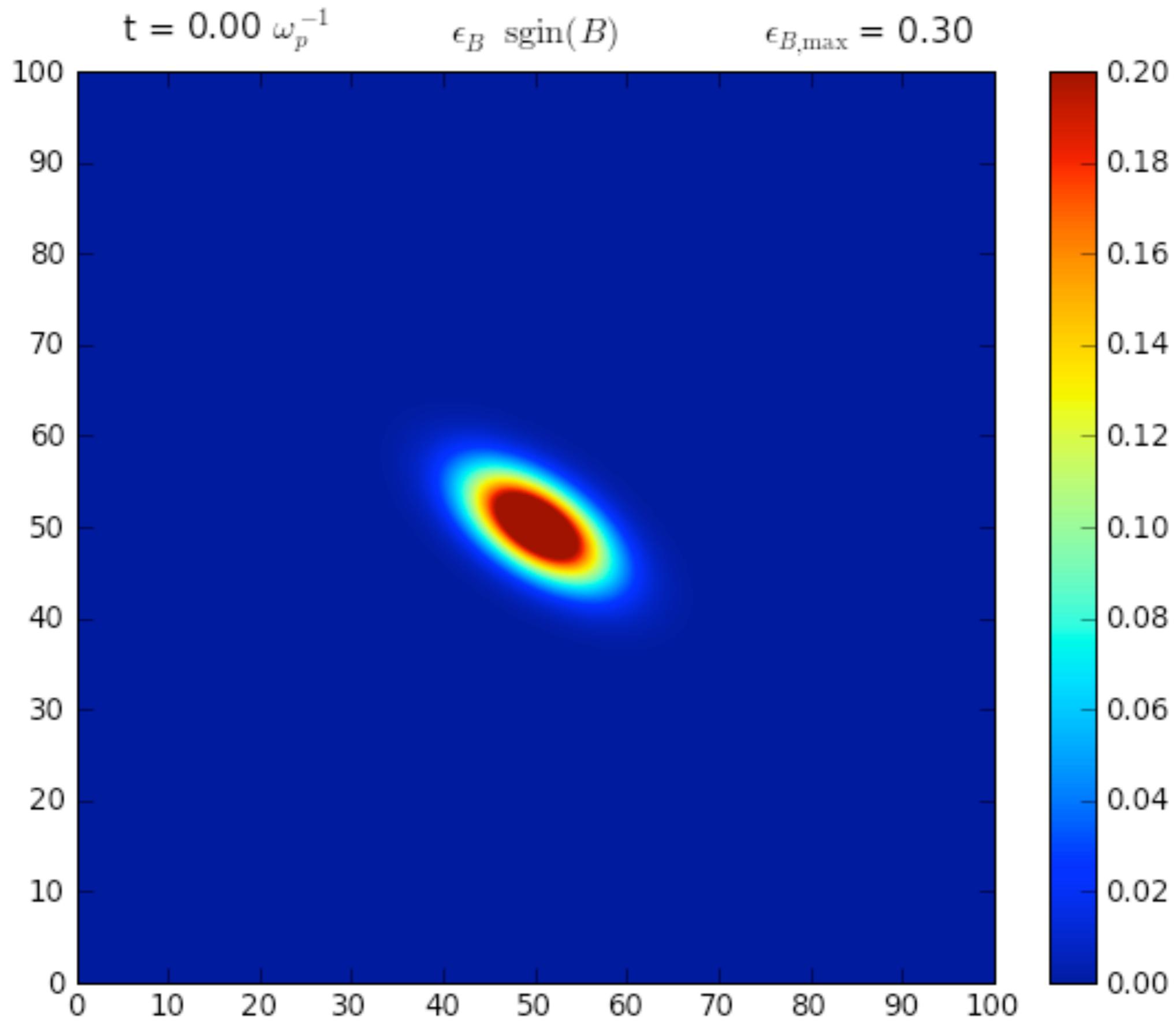
$t = 0.00 \omega_p^{-1}$

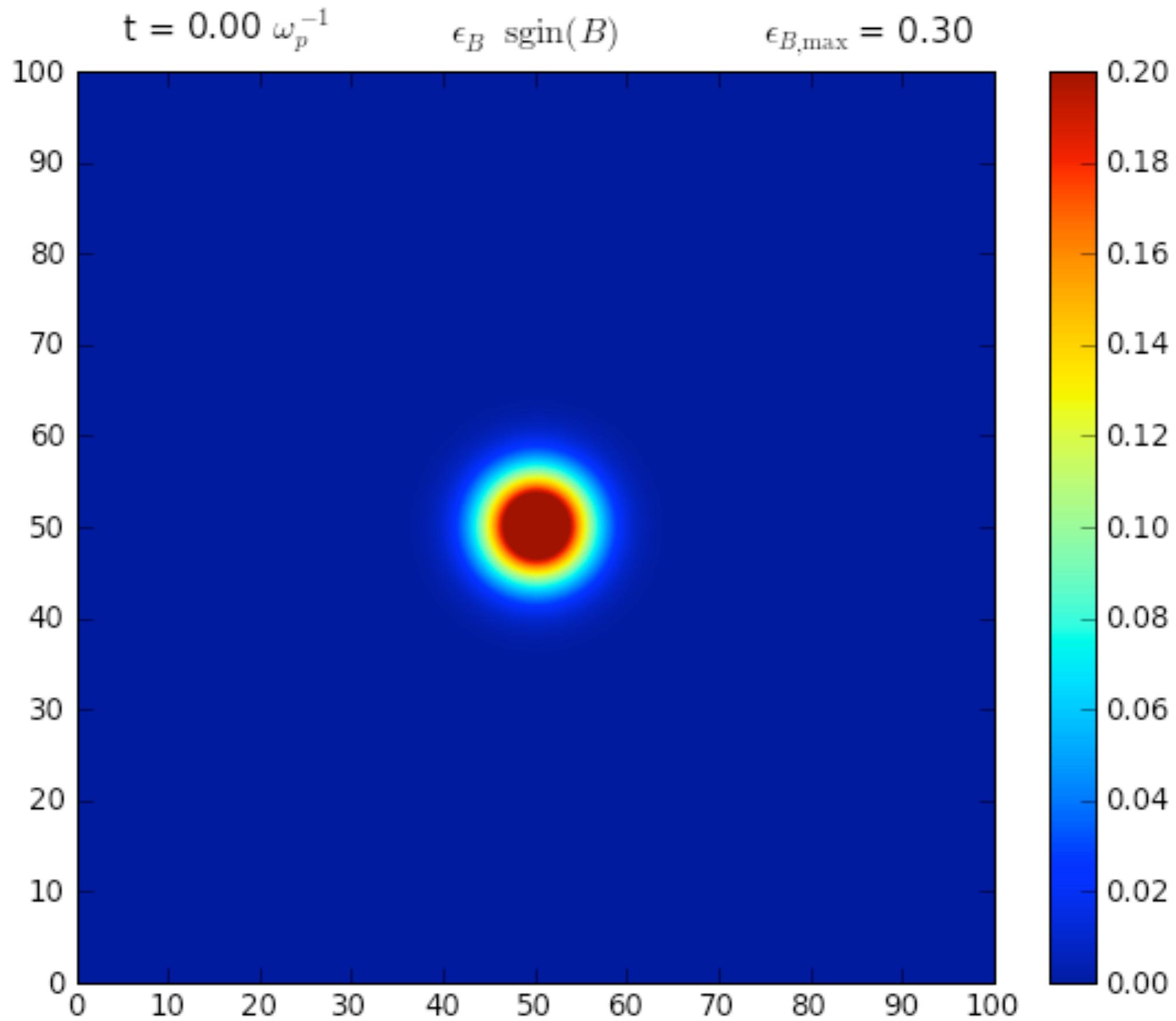


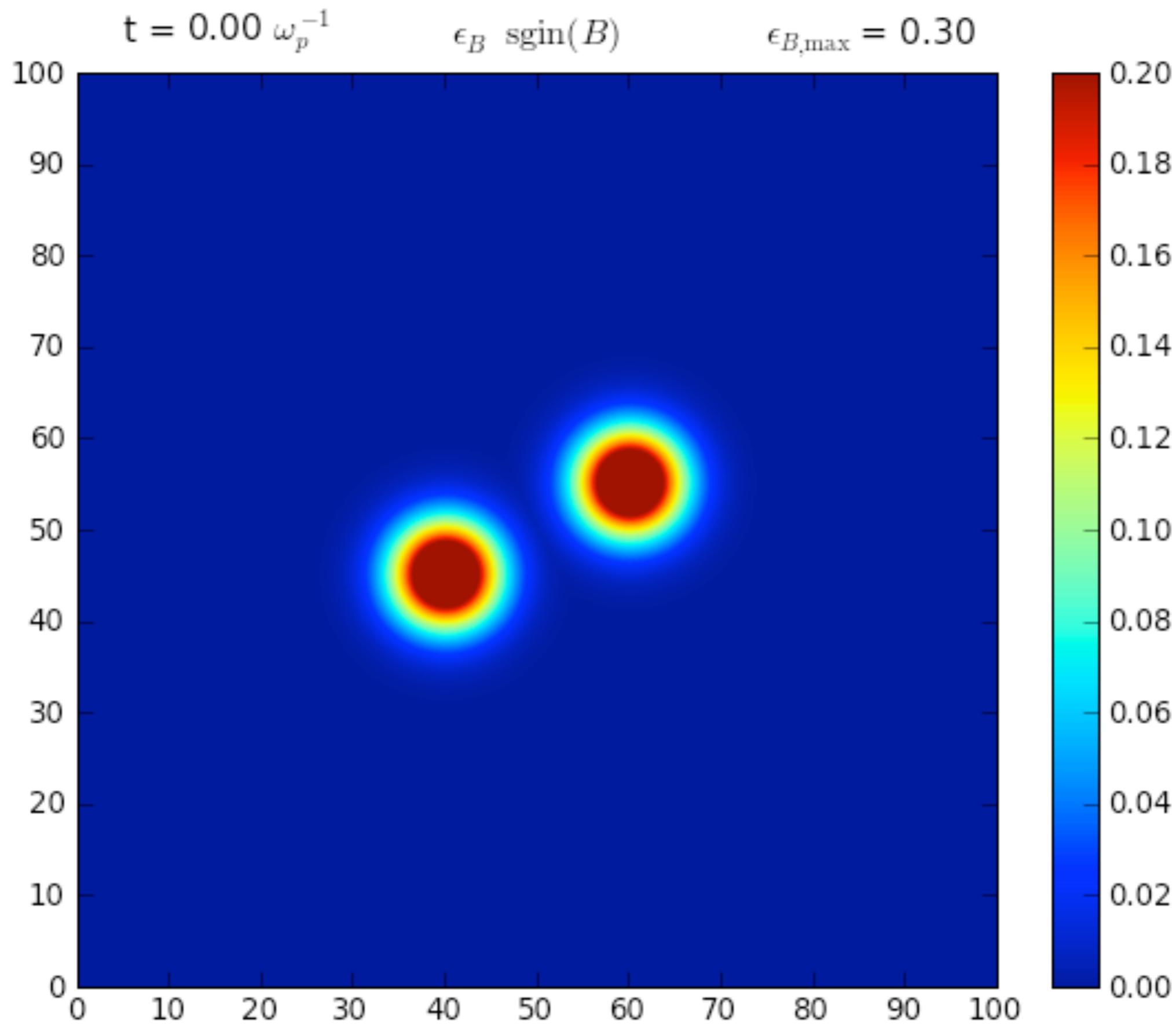
$\log \epsilon_B$

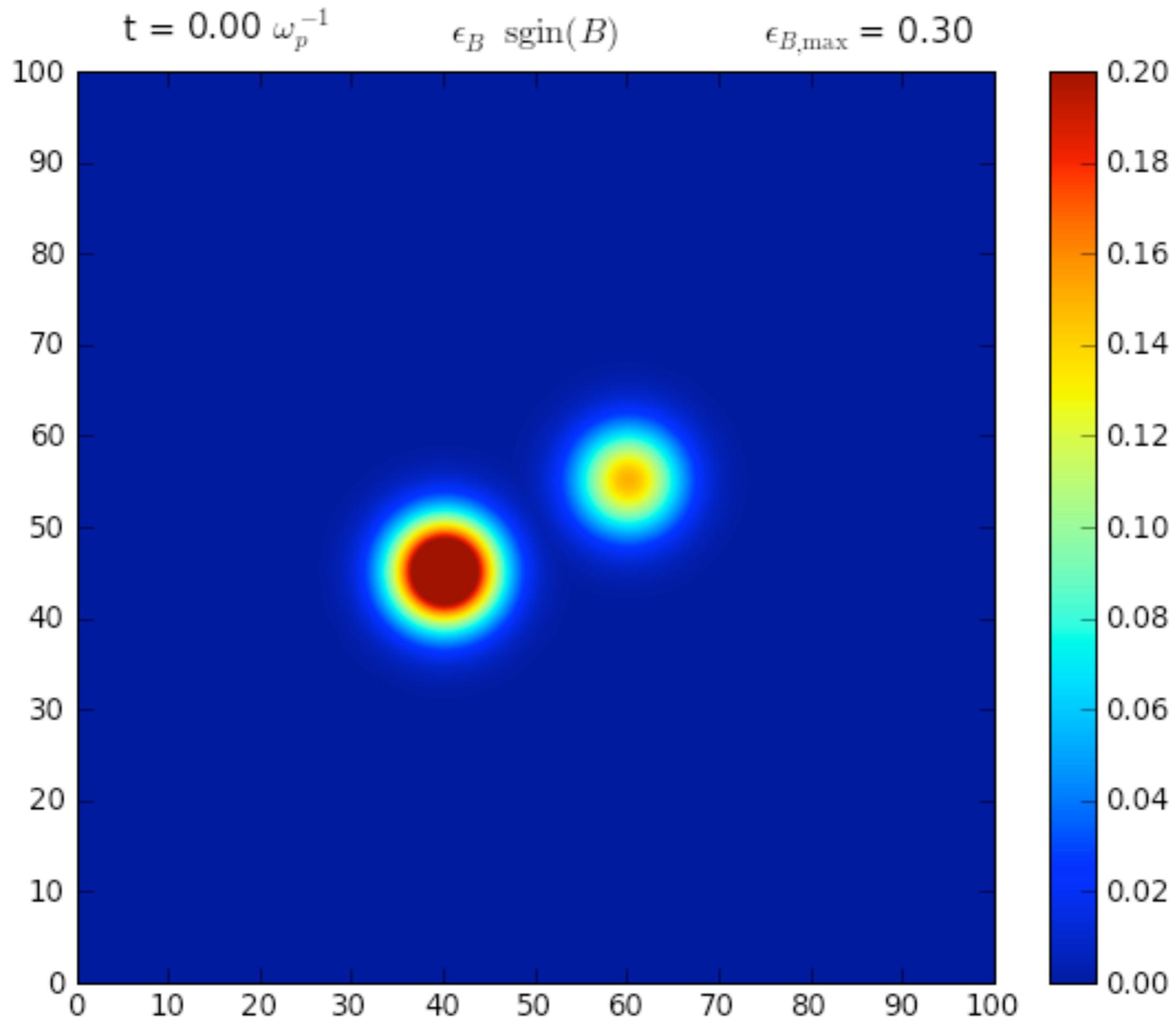




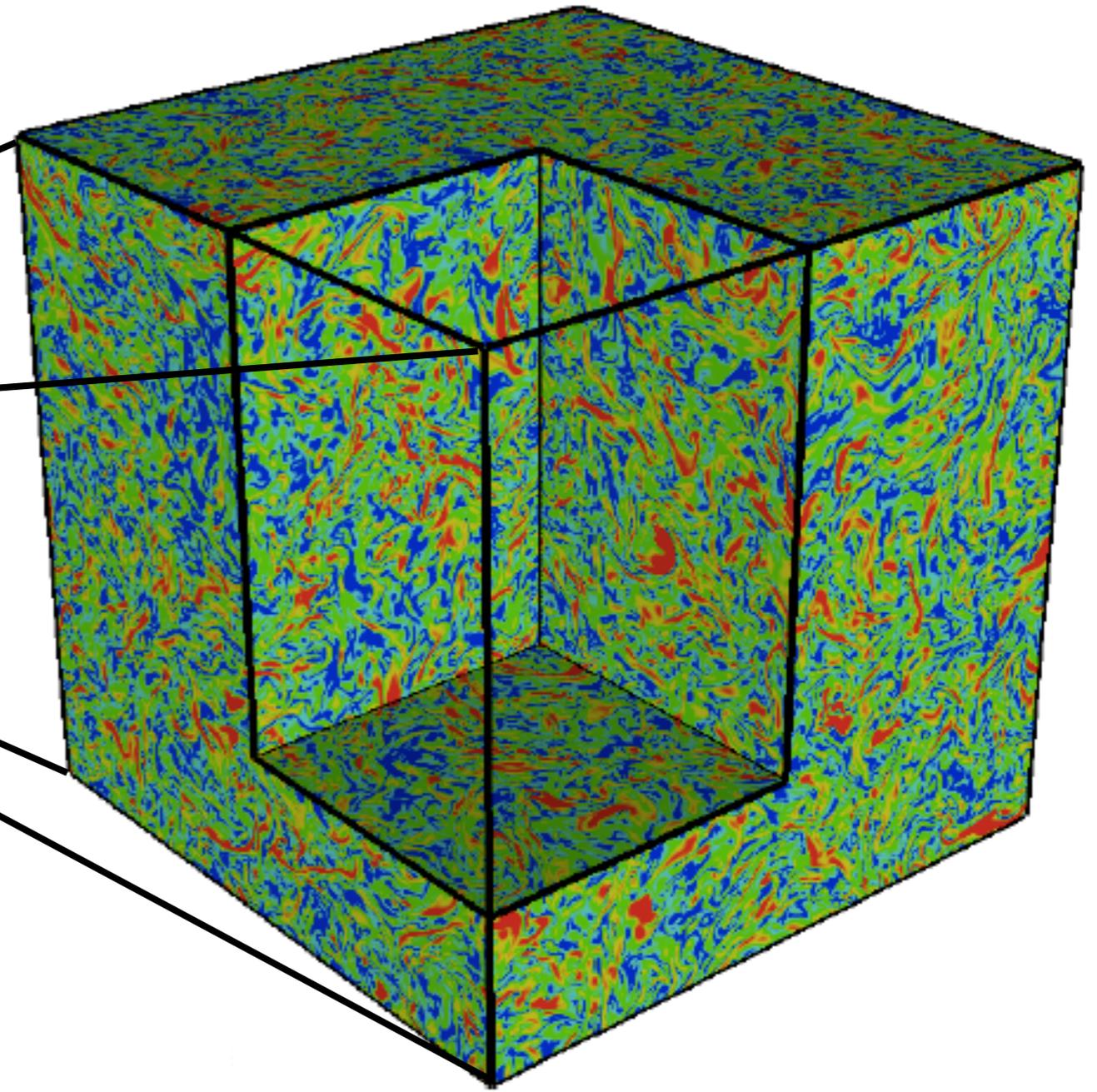
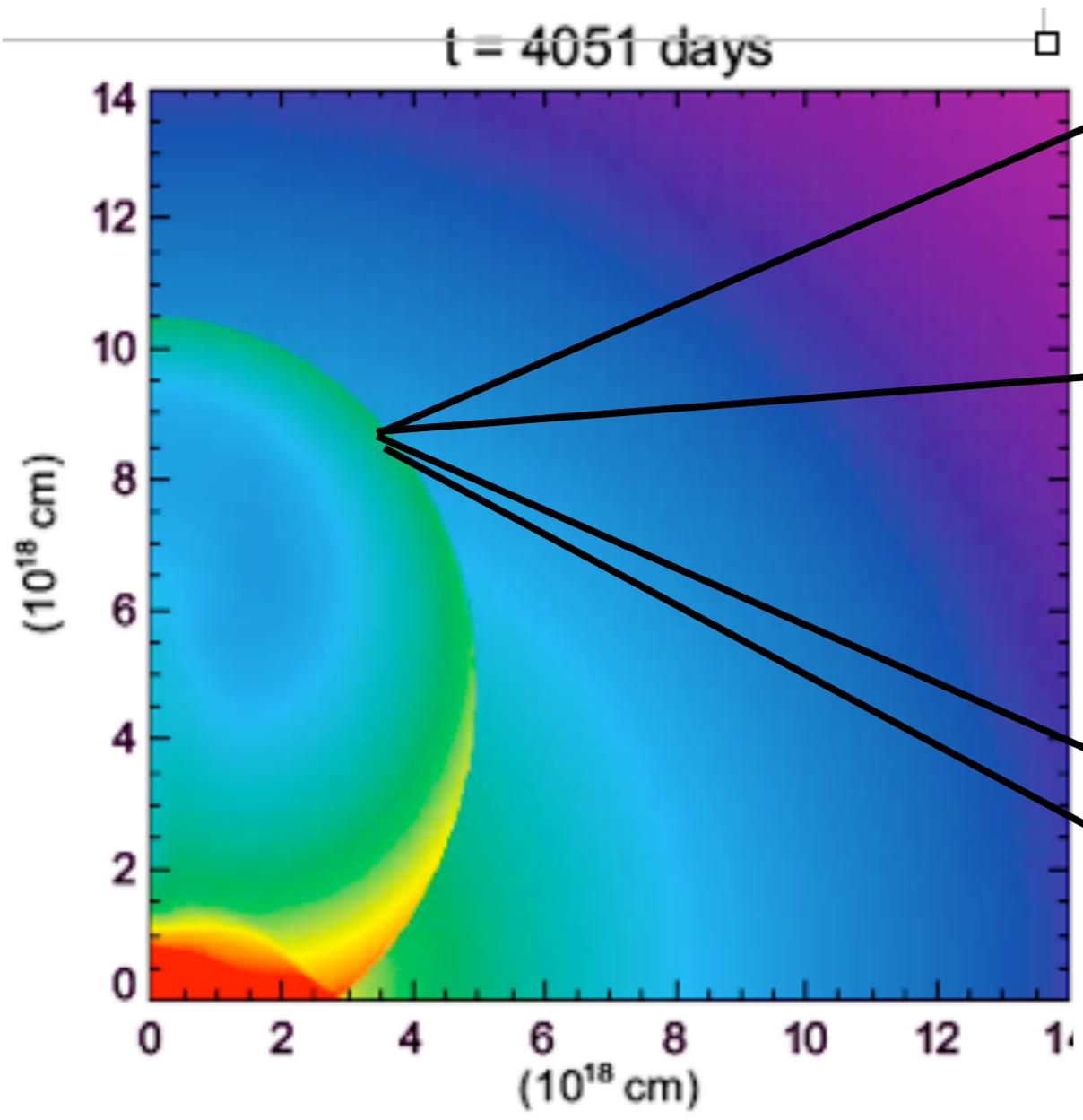




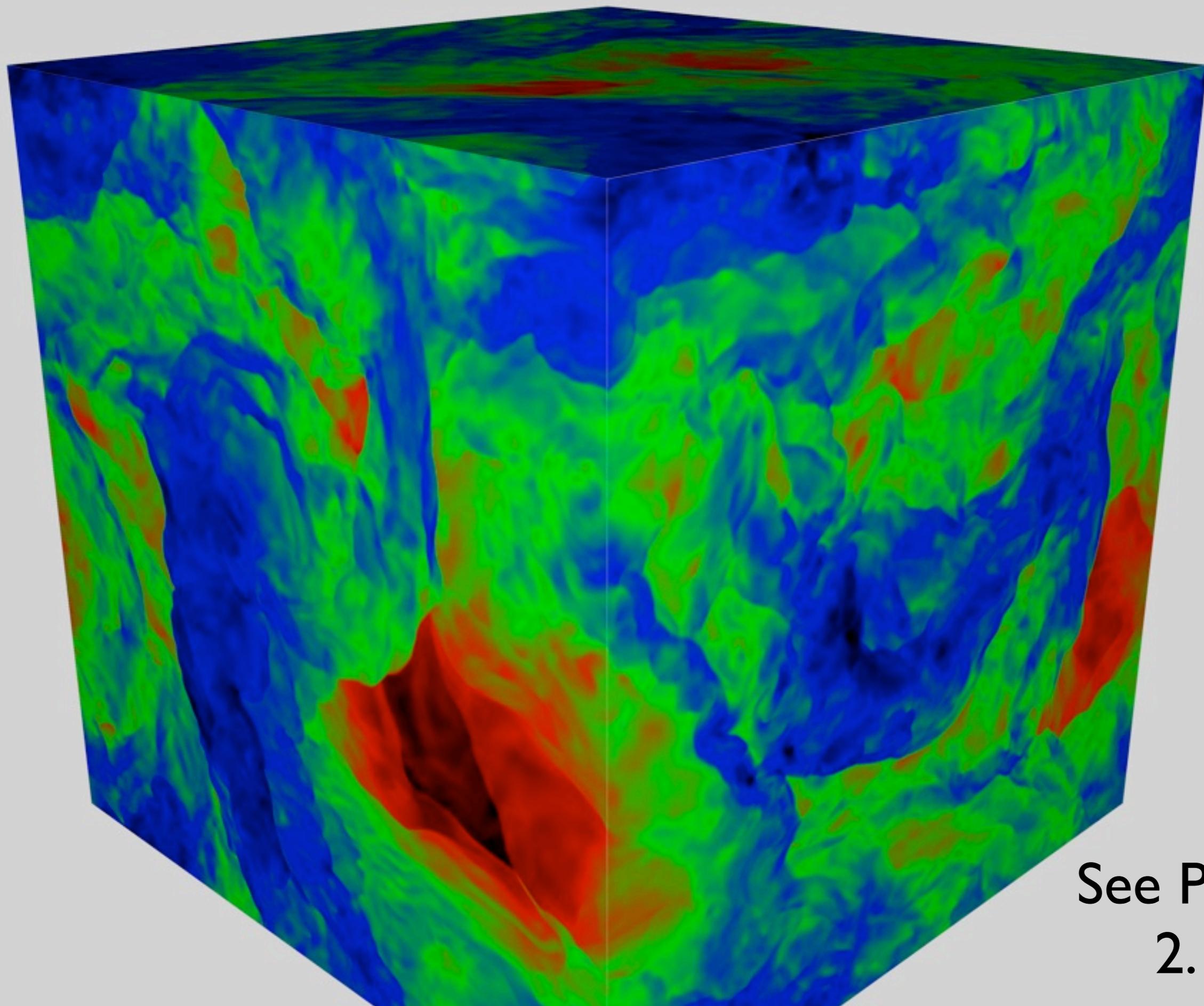




$$\epsilon_B = 0.005$$

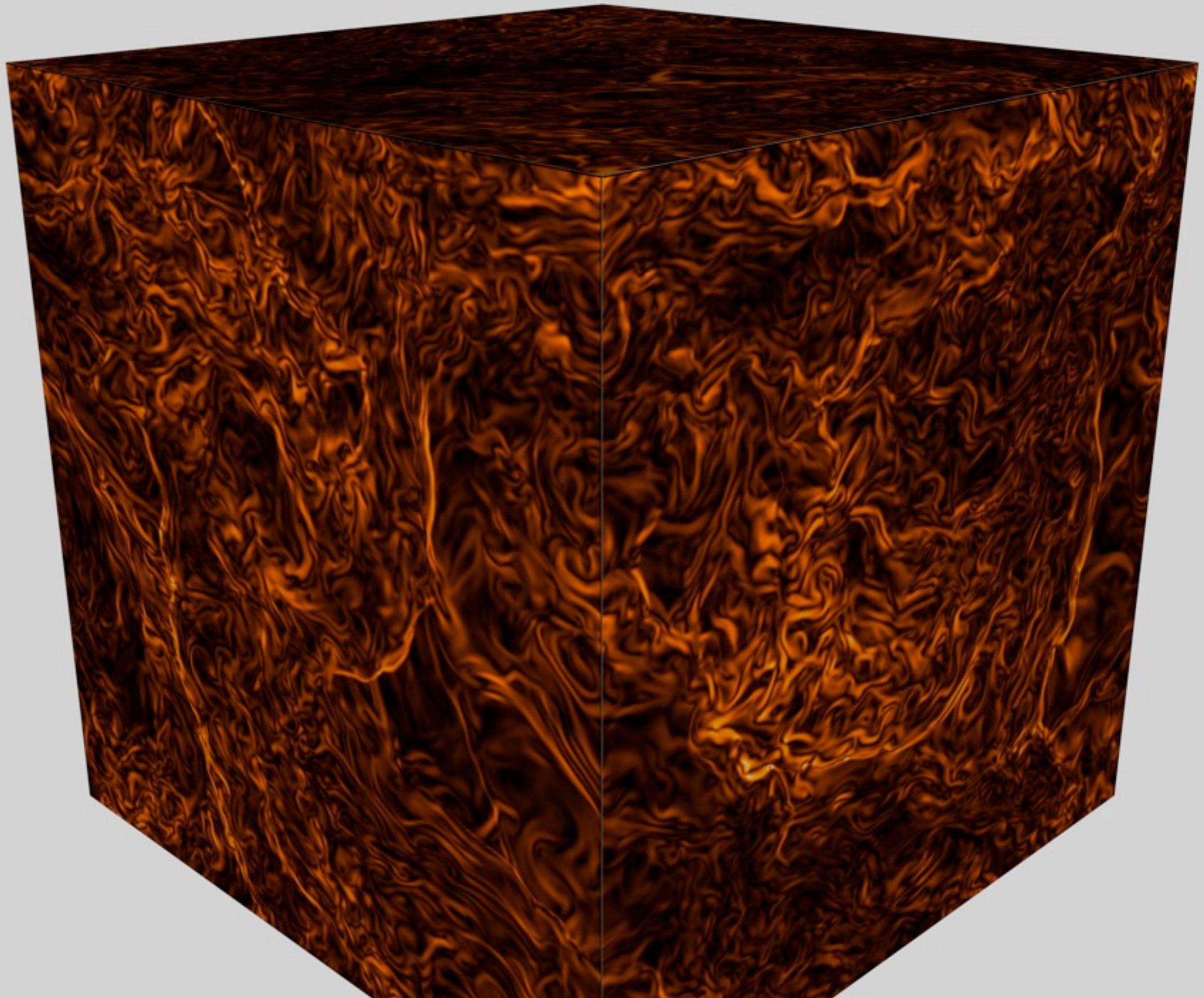


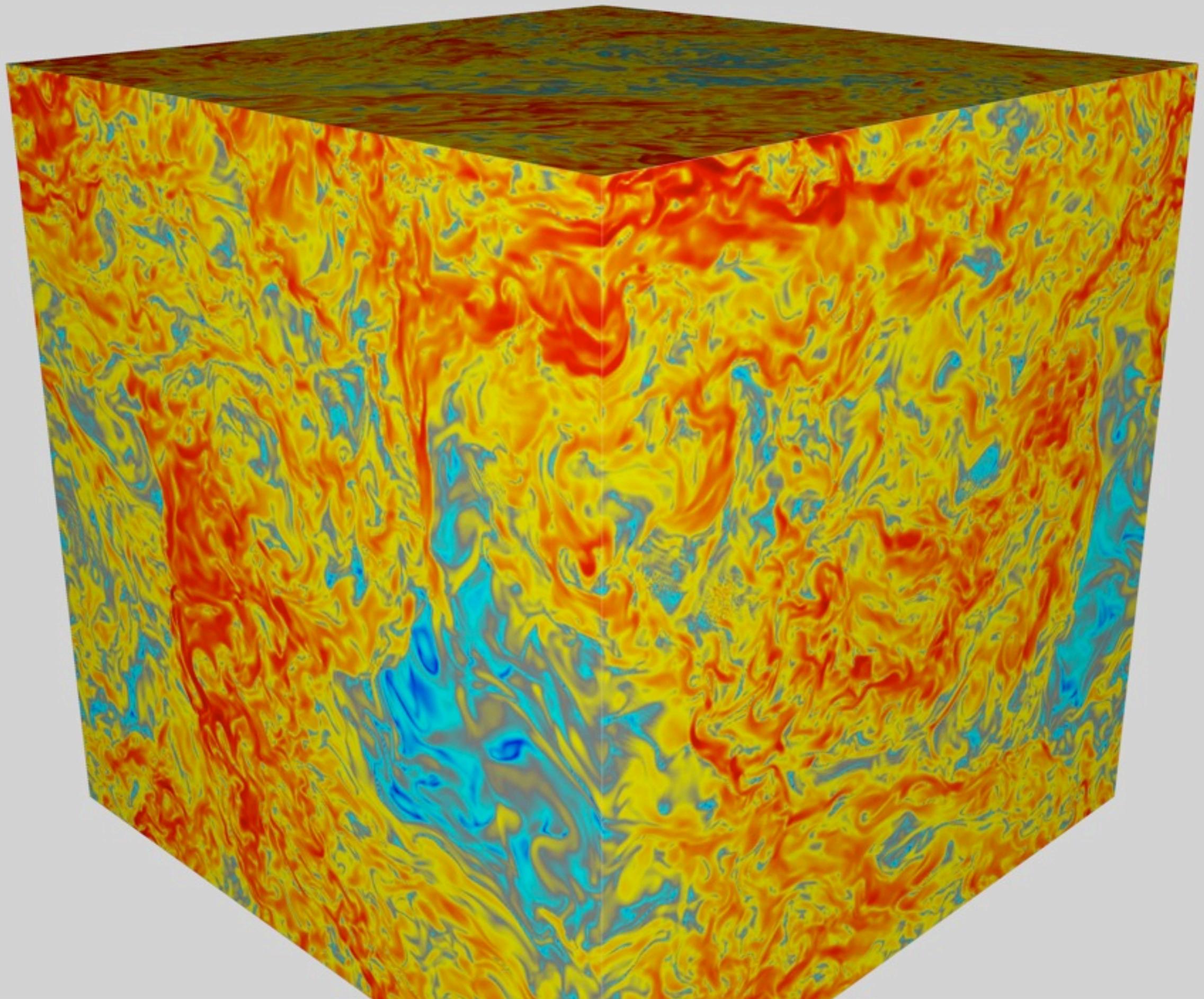
Zhang, AM&Wang, ApJL (2009)



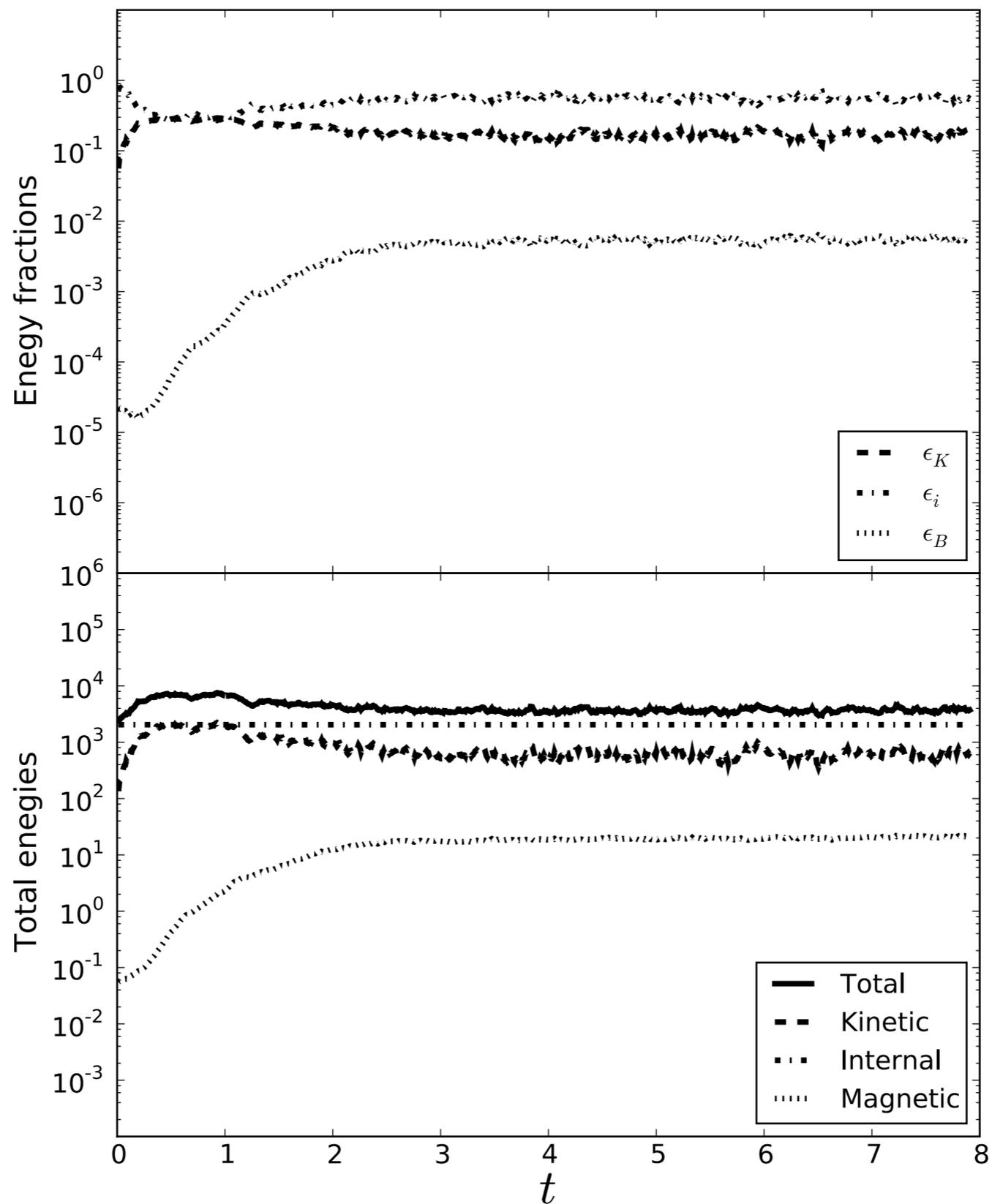
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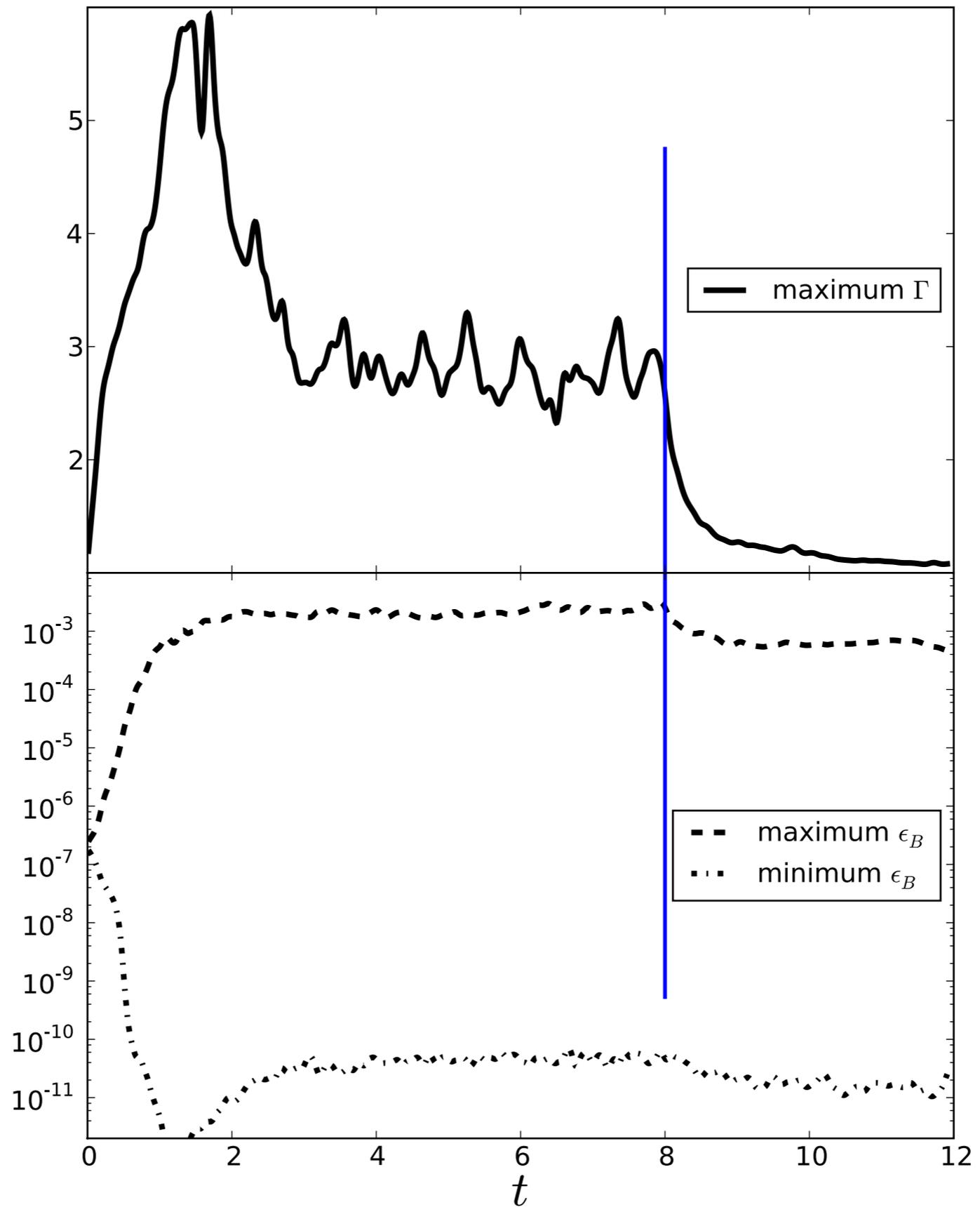




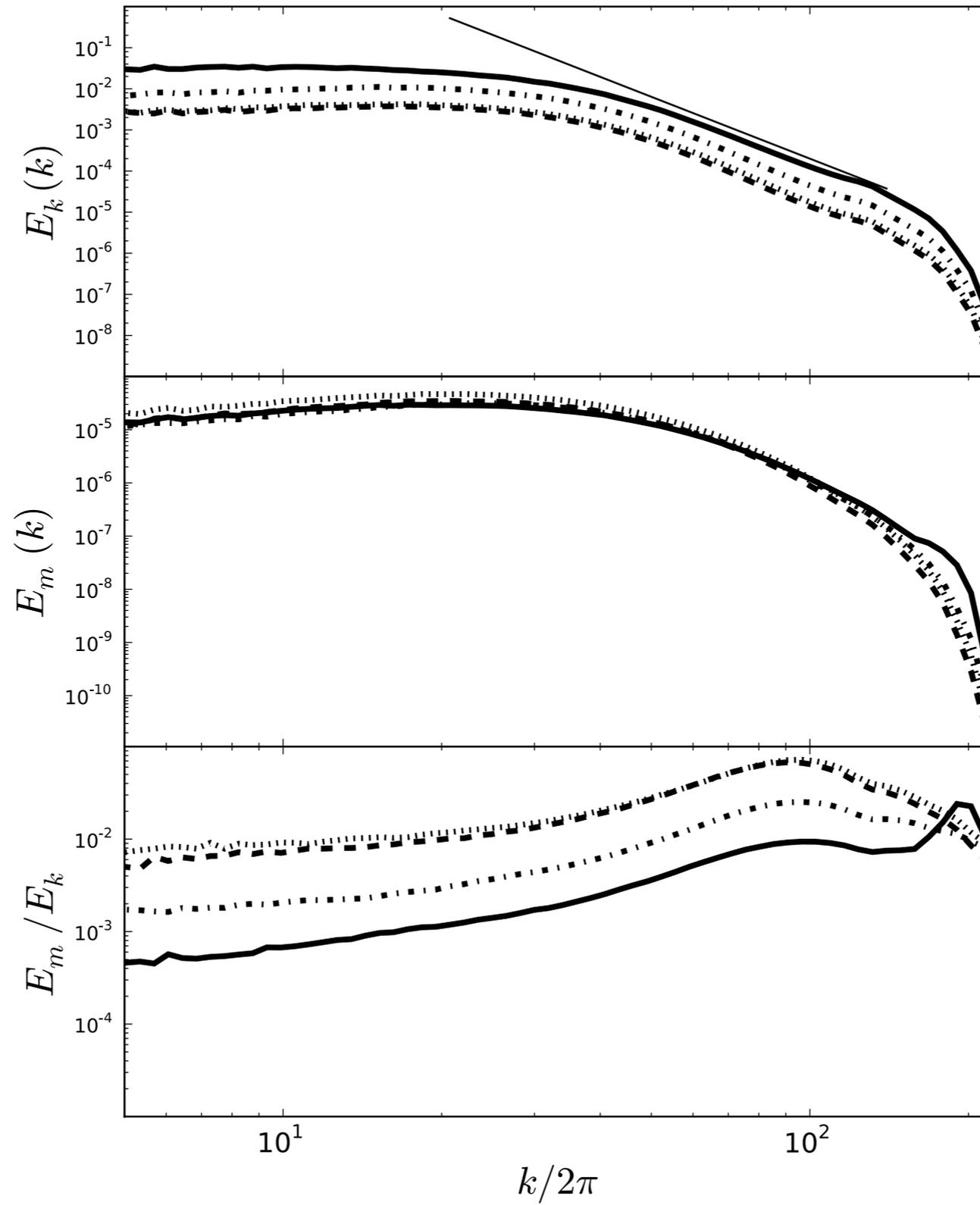
Driven Turbulence at $512^3 P \equiv 1/3\rho$



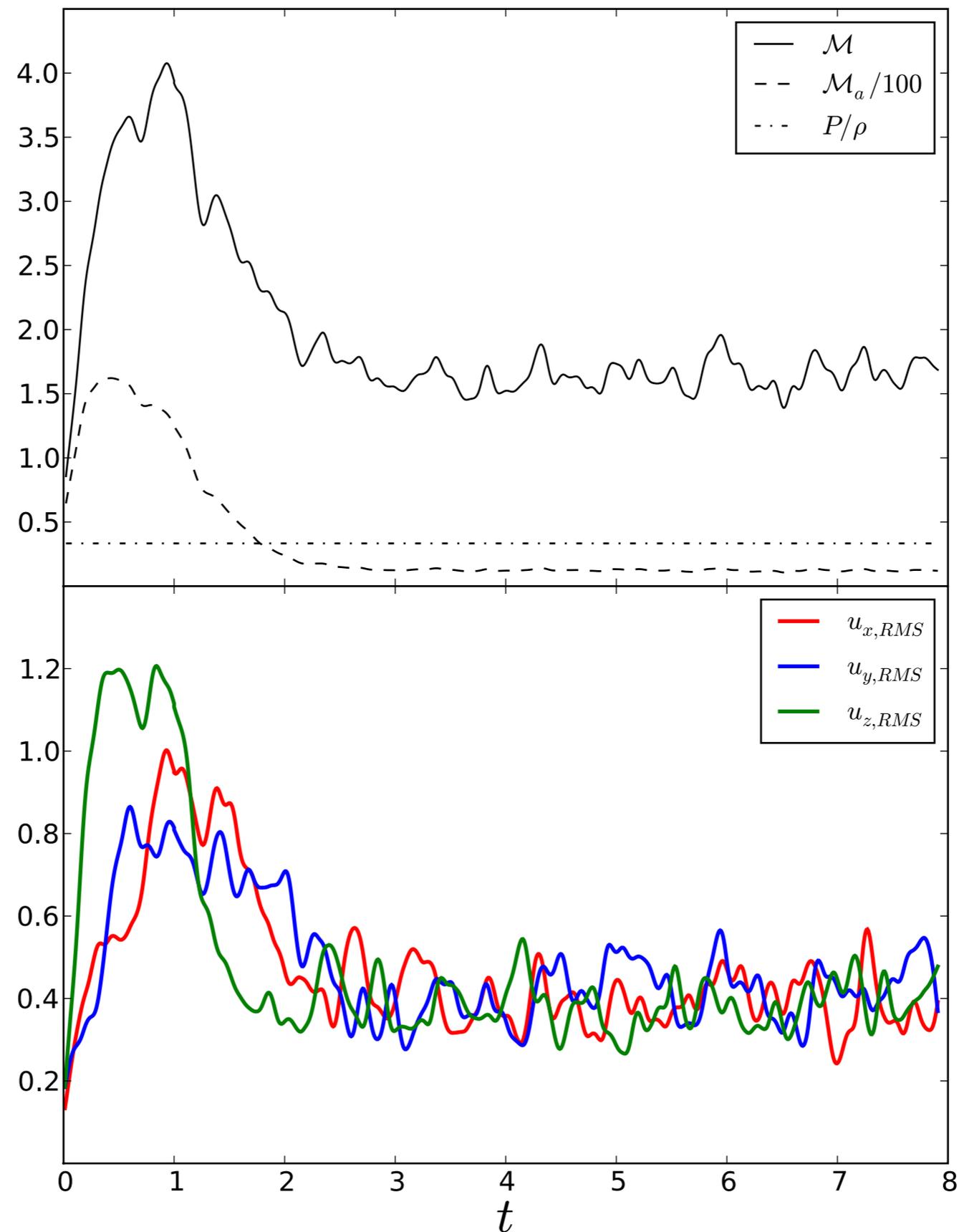
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Power spectra of kinetic and magnetic energy

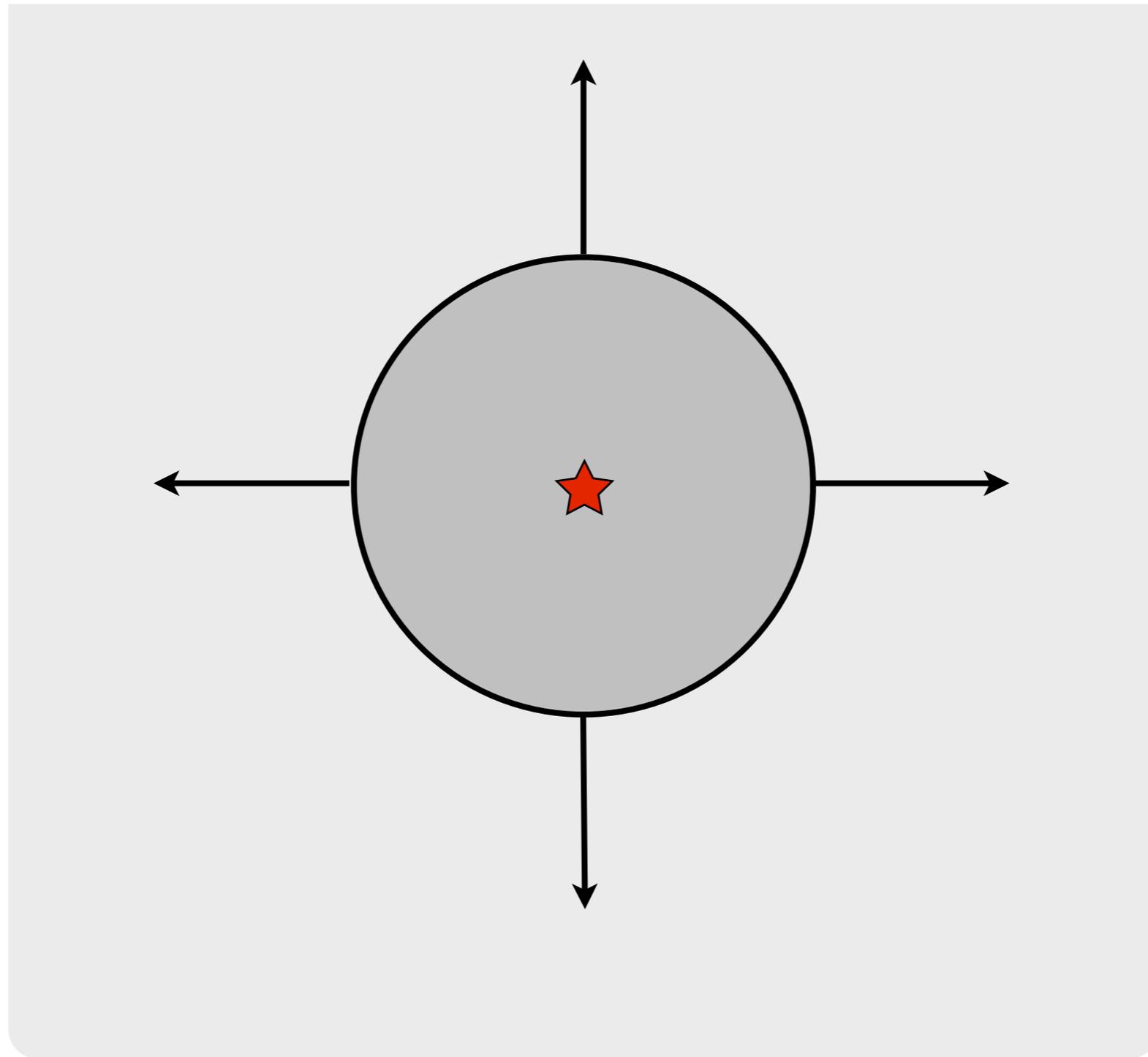


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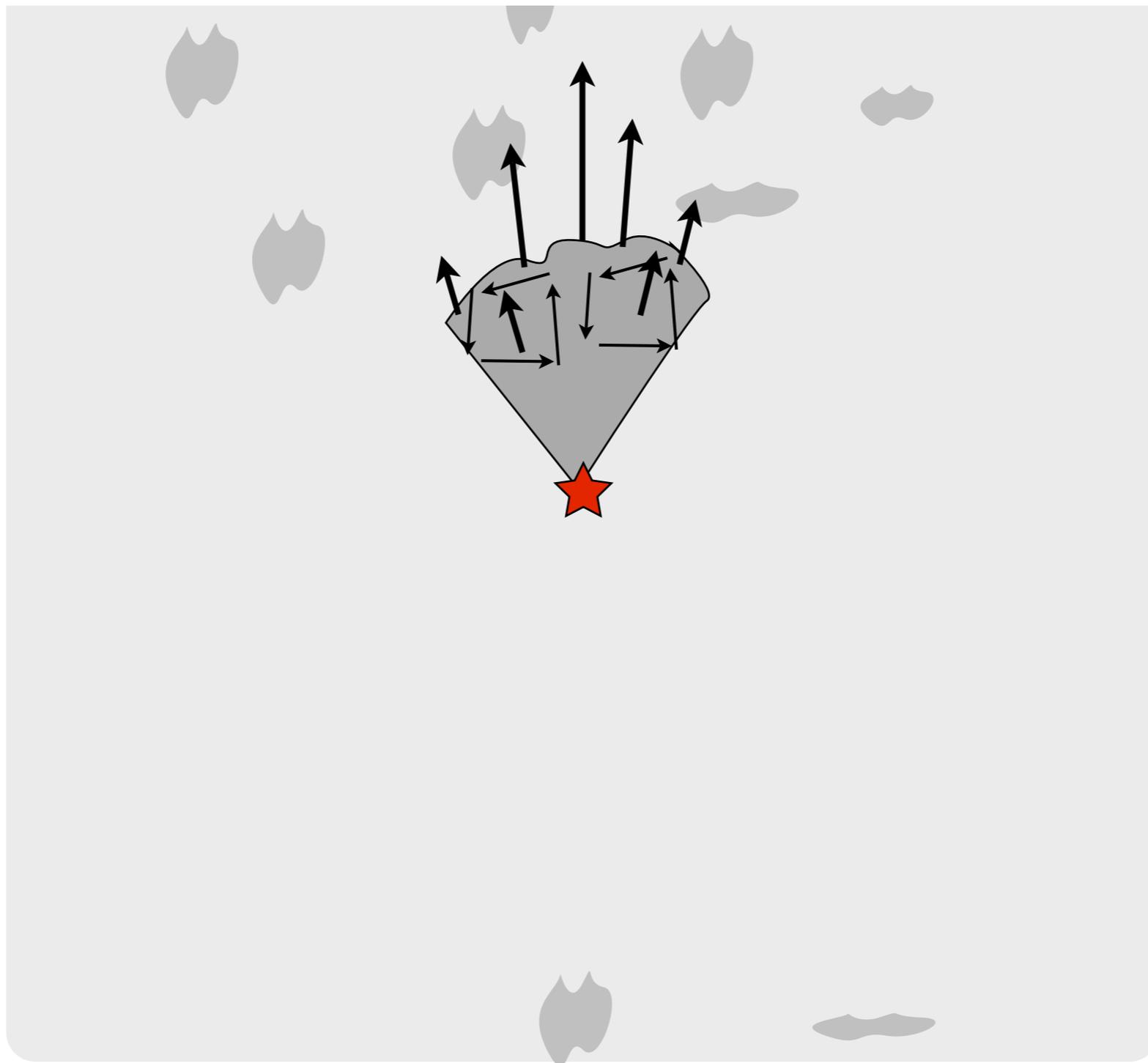


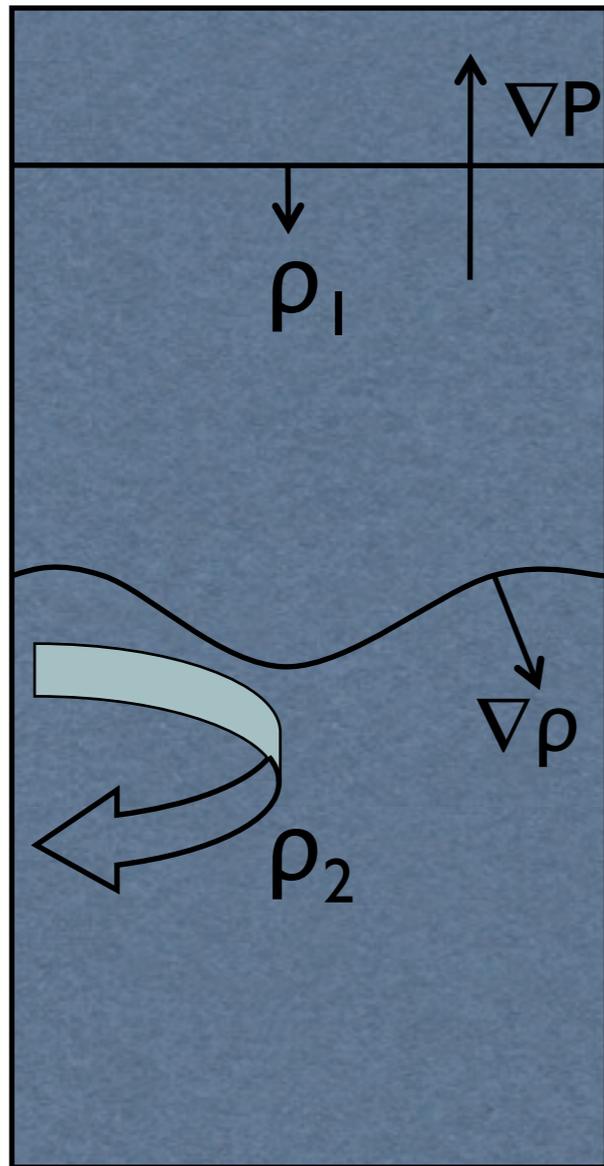
$$T^{\mu\nu} = (P + \rho)u^\mu u^\nu + P g^{\mu\nu}$$

Smooth & Spherical



Jet & Clumps





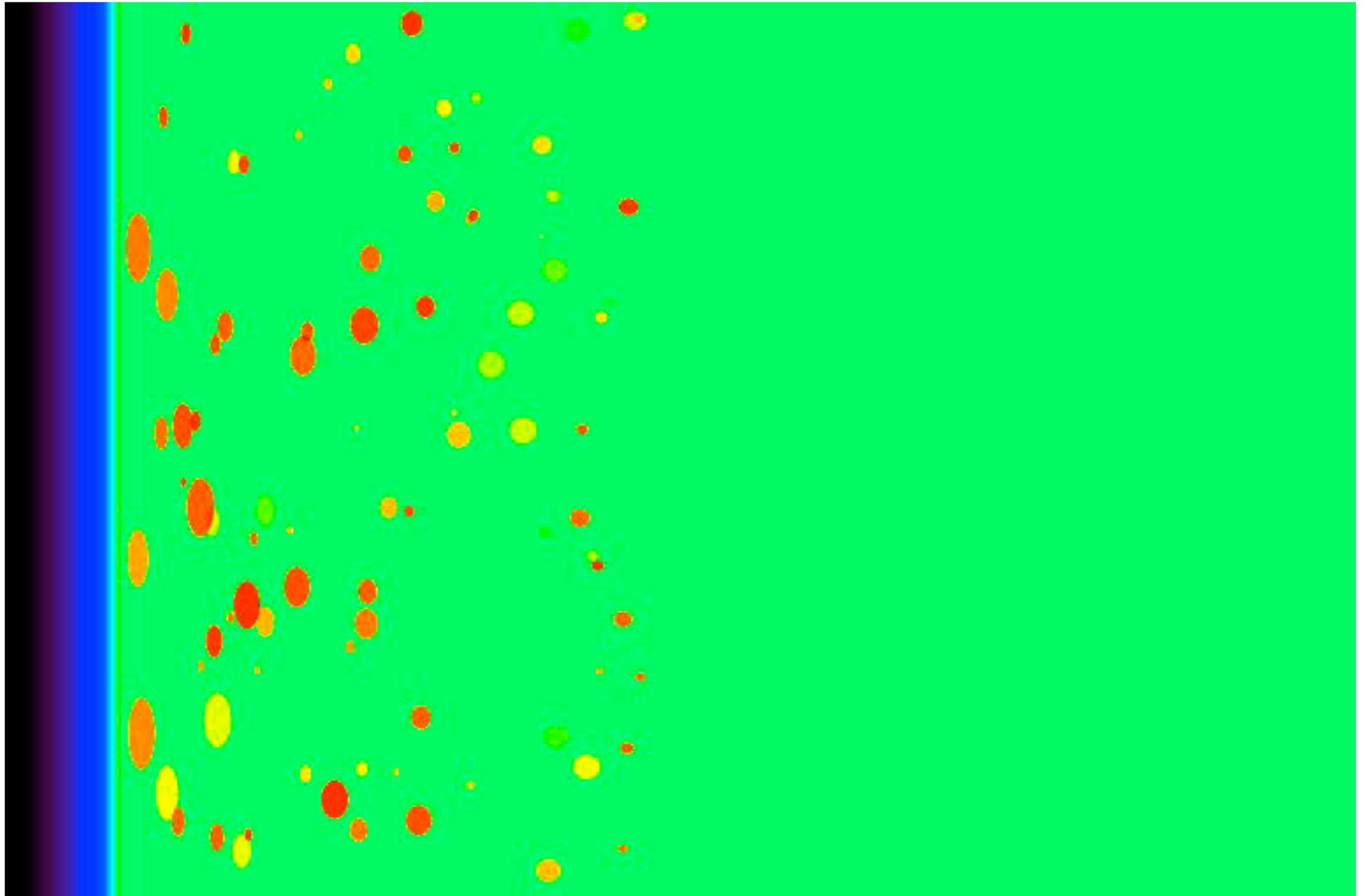
Ultra-relativistic Vorticity and Shock Dynamics

Goodman & MacFadyen (2008)

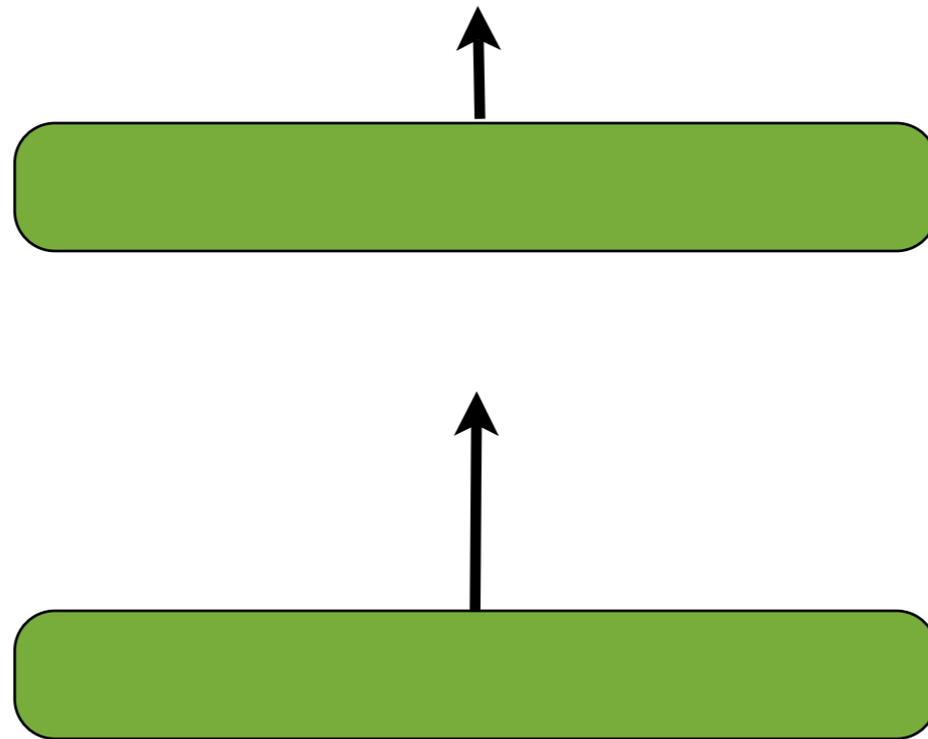
$$\eta_t = k[u]A\eta$$

$$A \equiv (\rho_1 - \rho_2) / (\rho_1 + \rho_2)$$

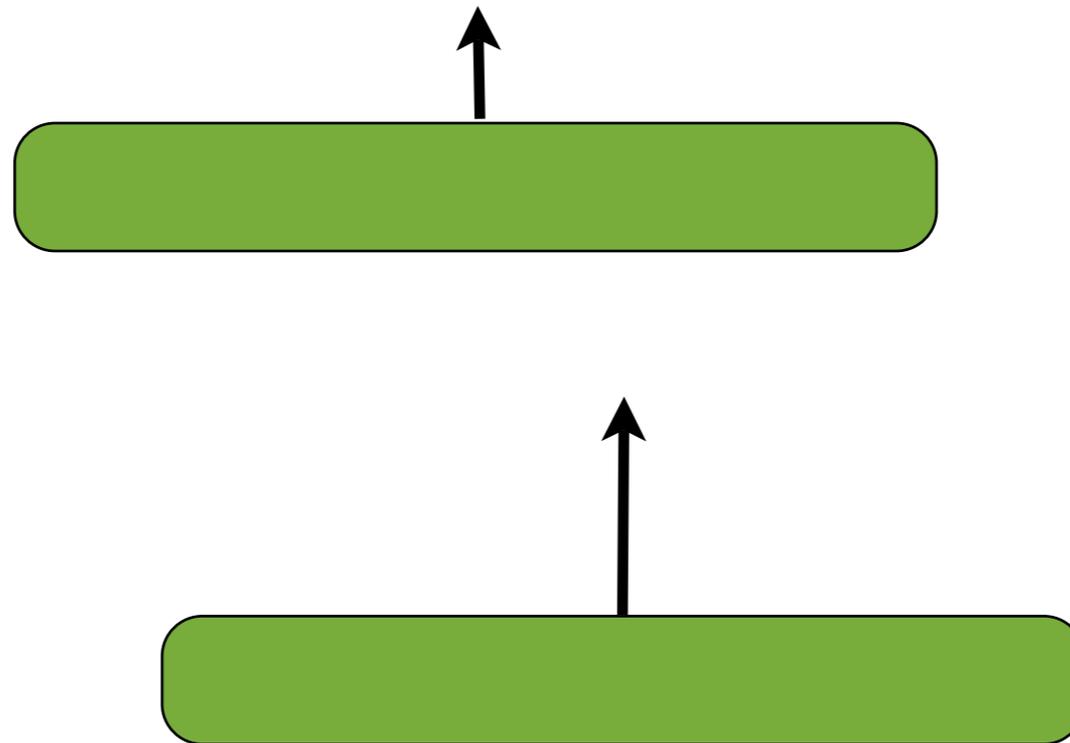
Clumpy Medium



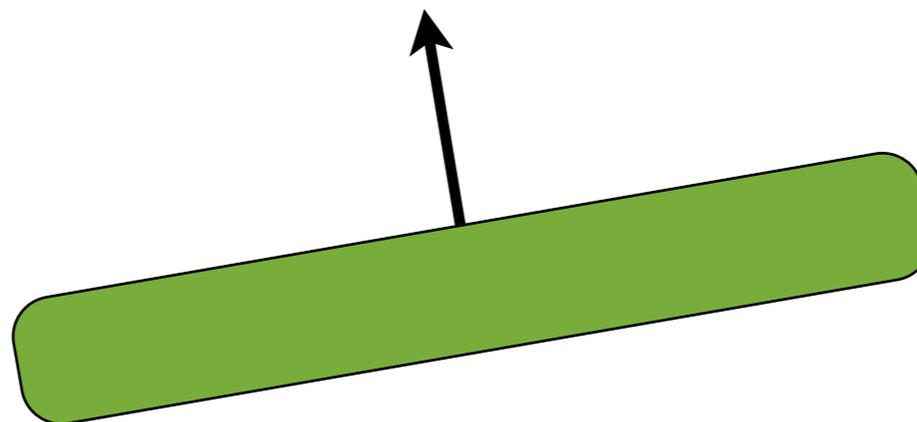
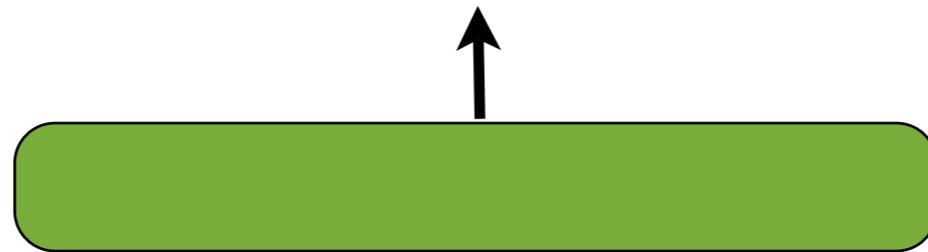
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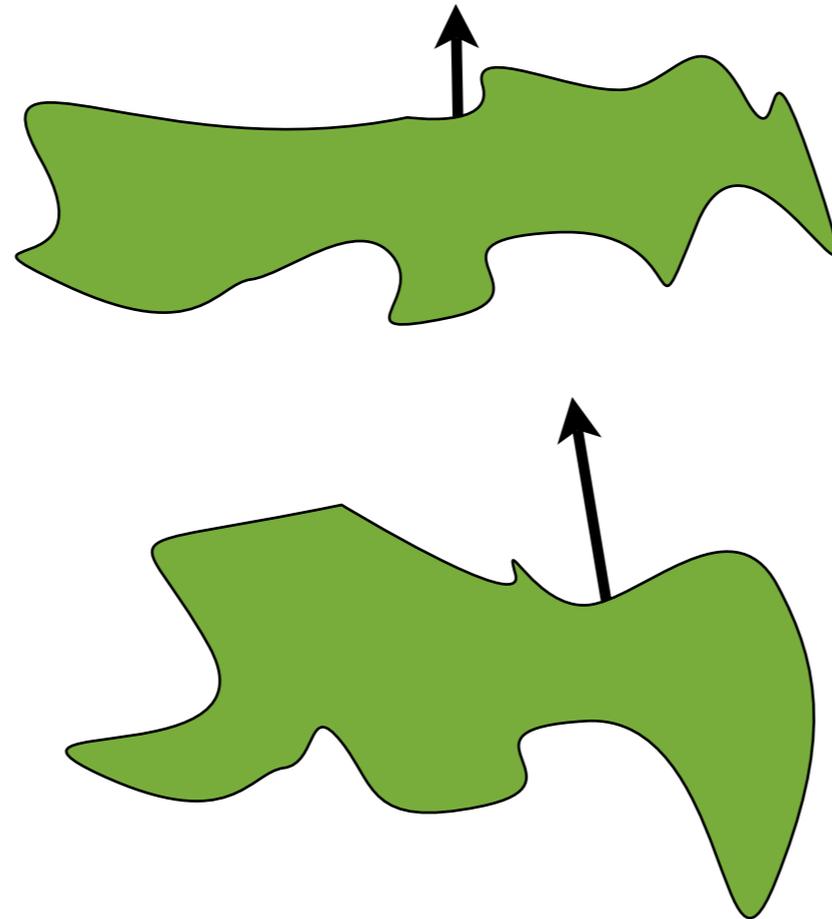
Misaligned



Oblique

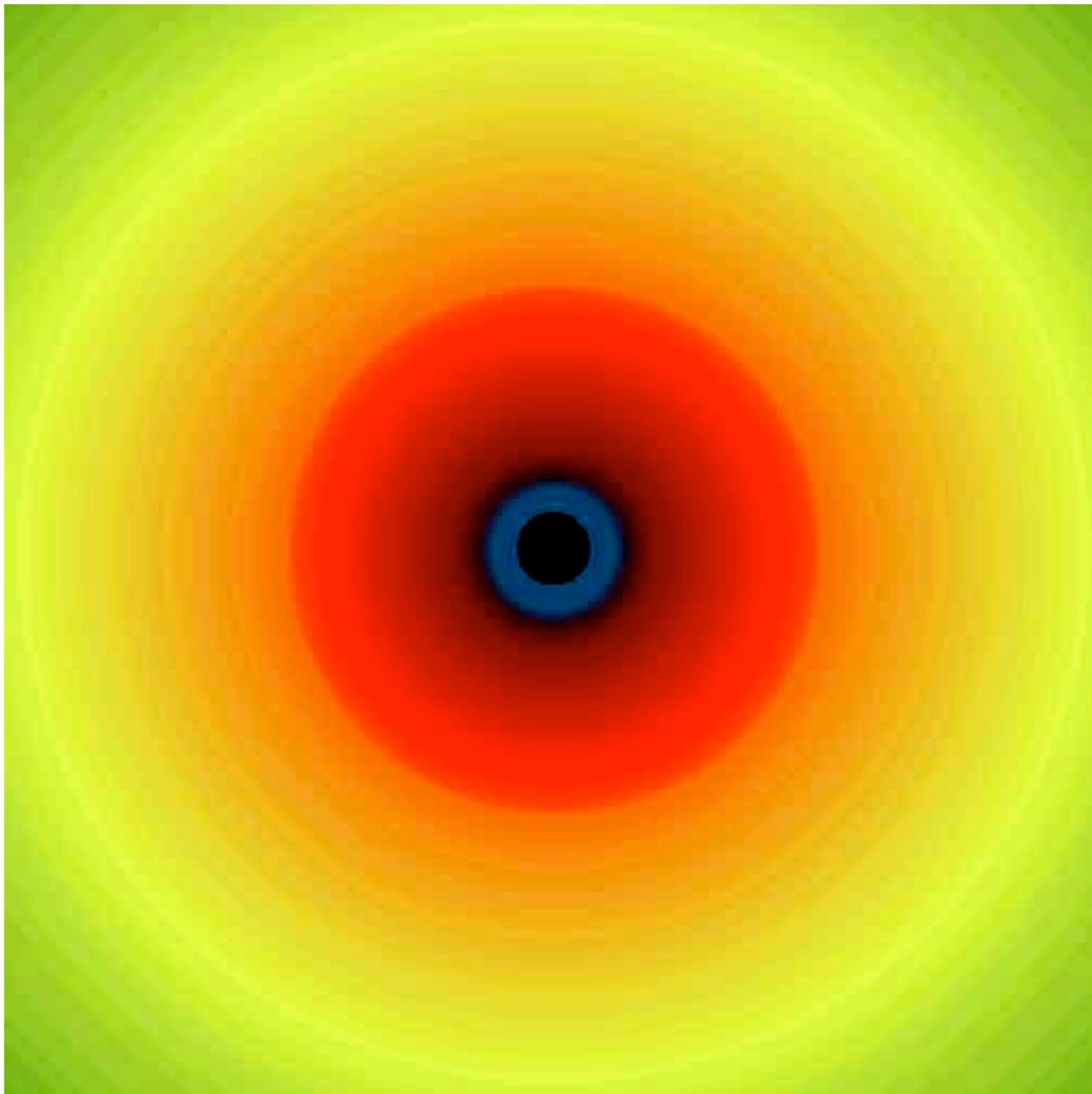


Colliding Clumps



AMR
jet
+wind

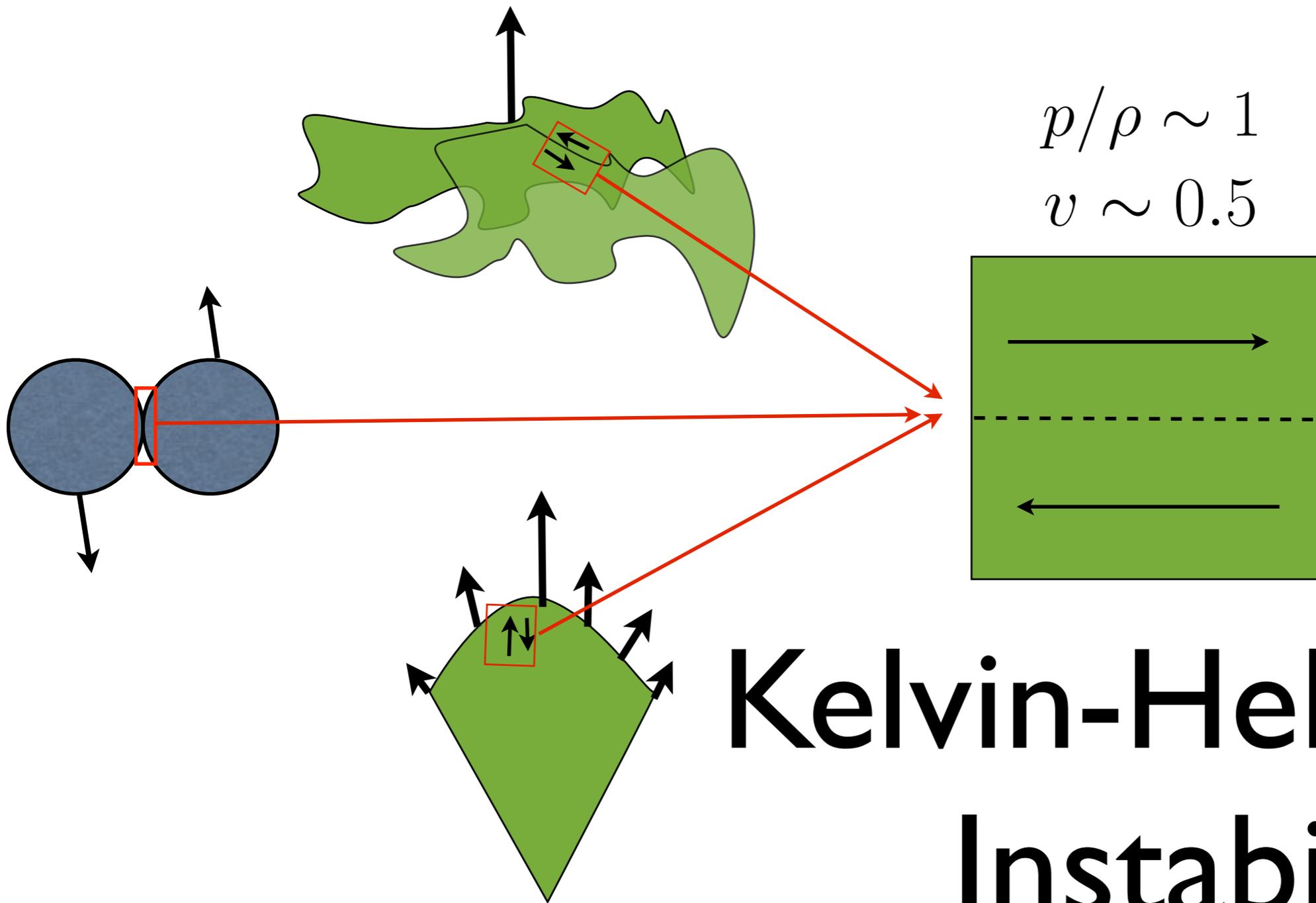
AM&Zhang
(2009)



AMR
jet
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Shear Patches



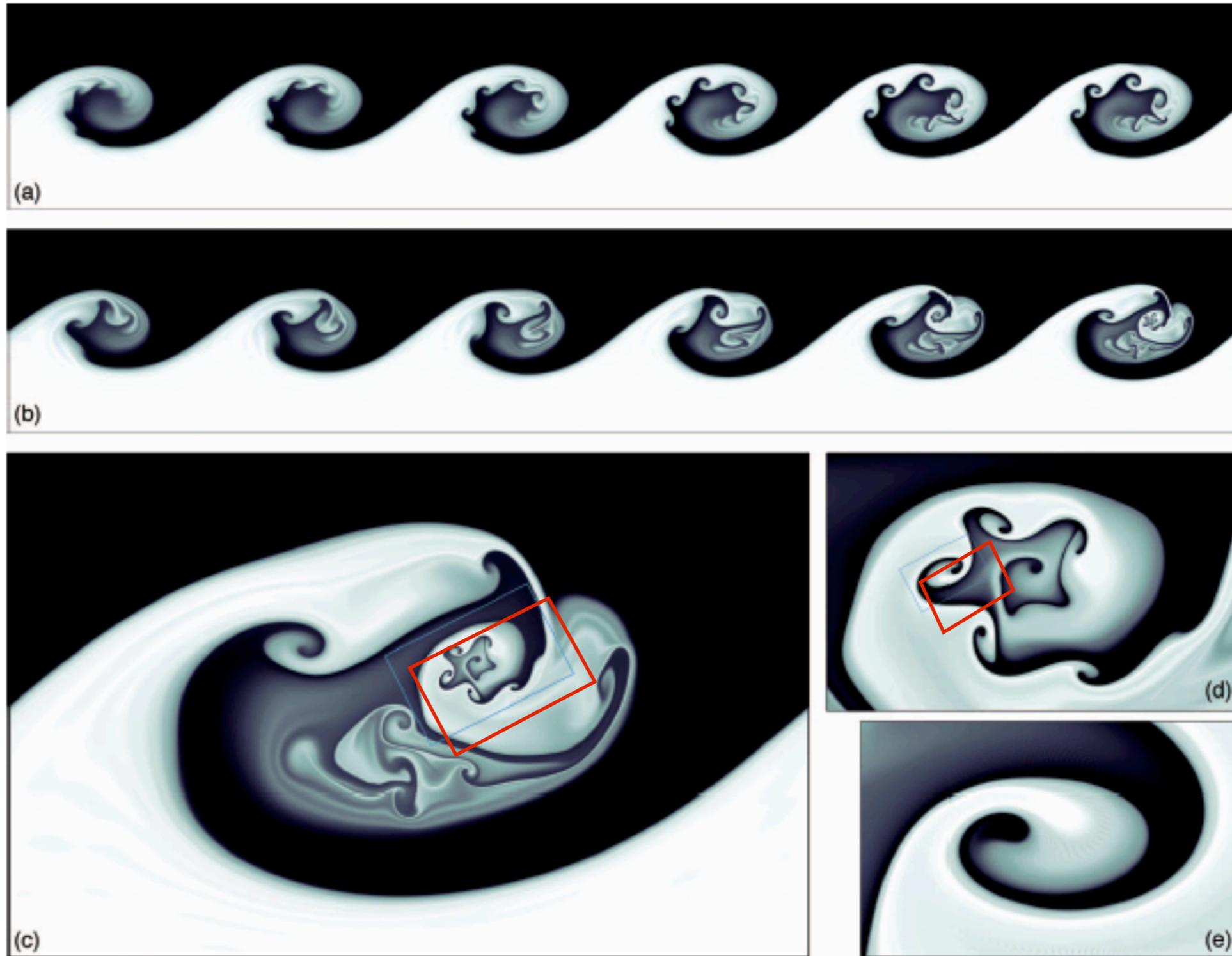
Kelvin-Helmholtz Instability

Kelvin Helmholtz Clouds



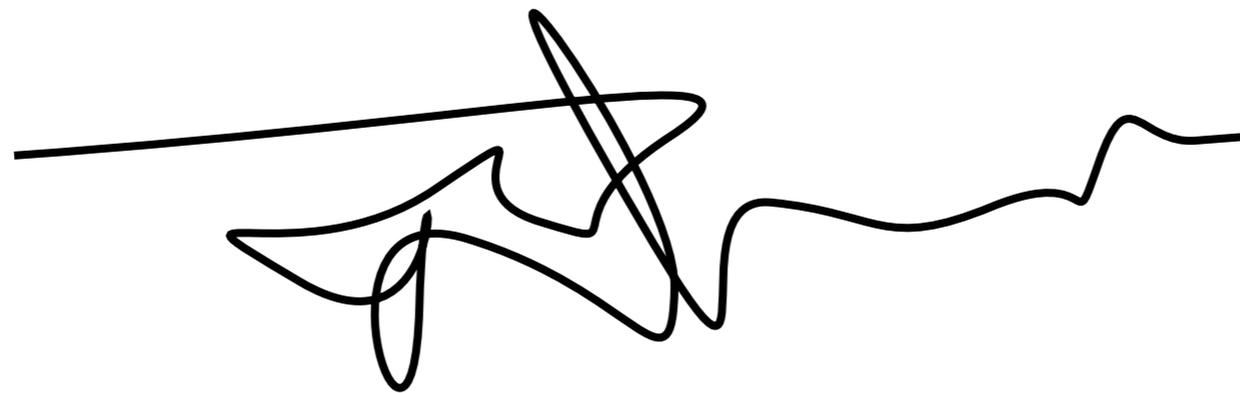
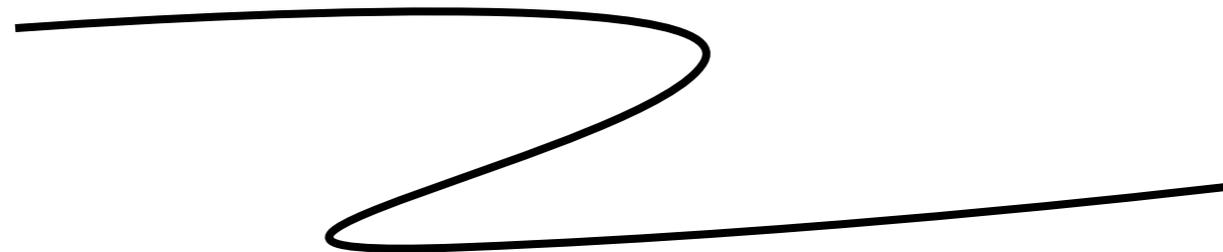
Beverly Shannon

Big Whirls Have Little Whirls

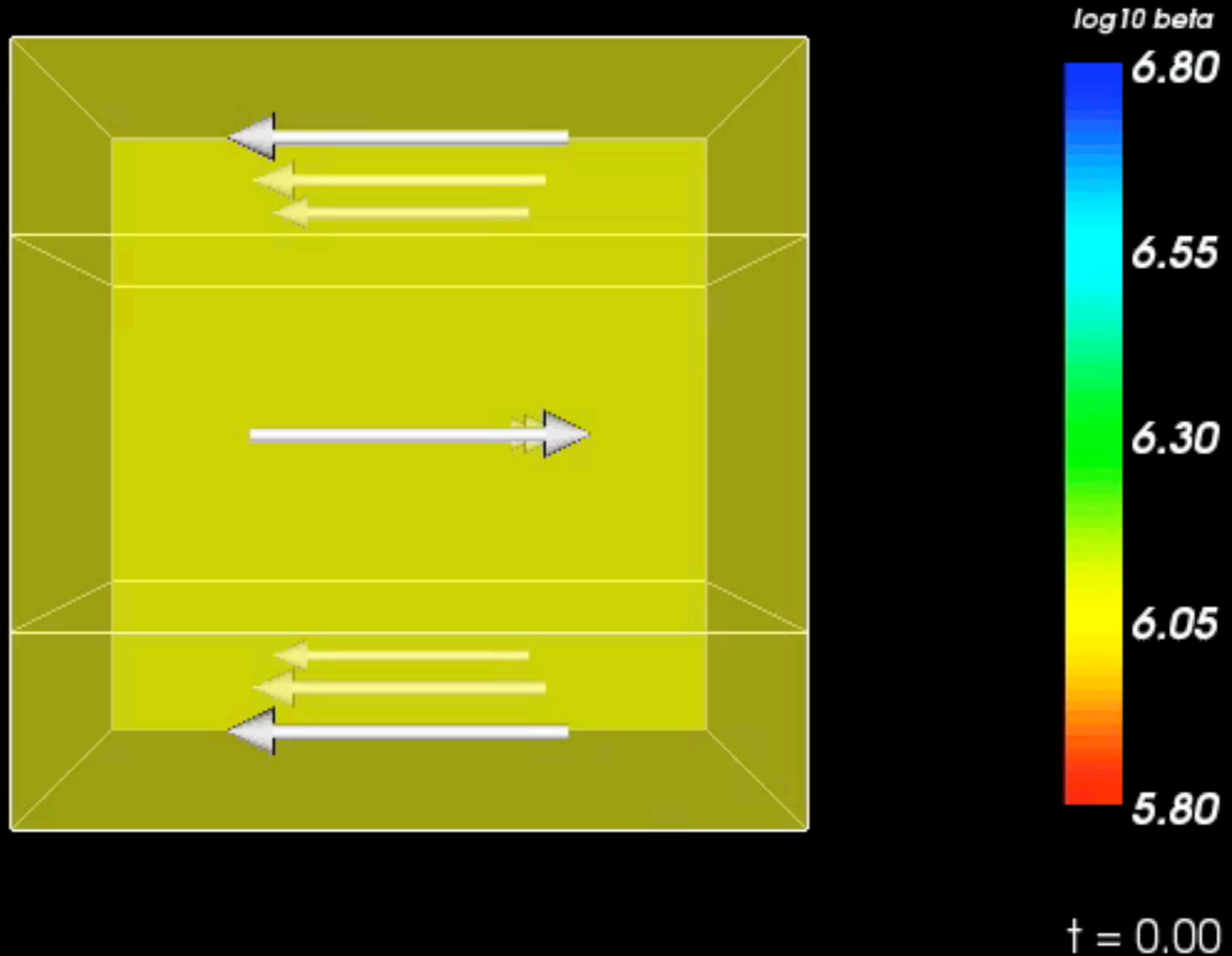


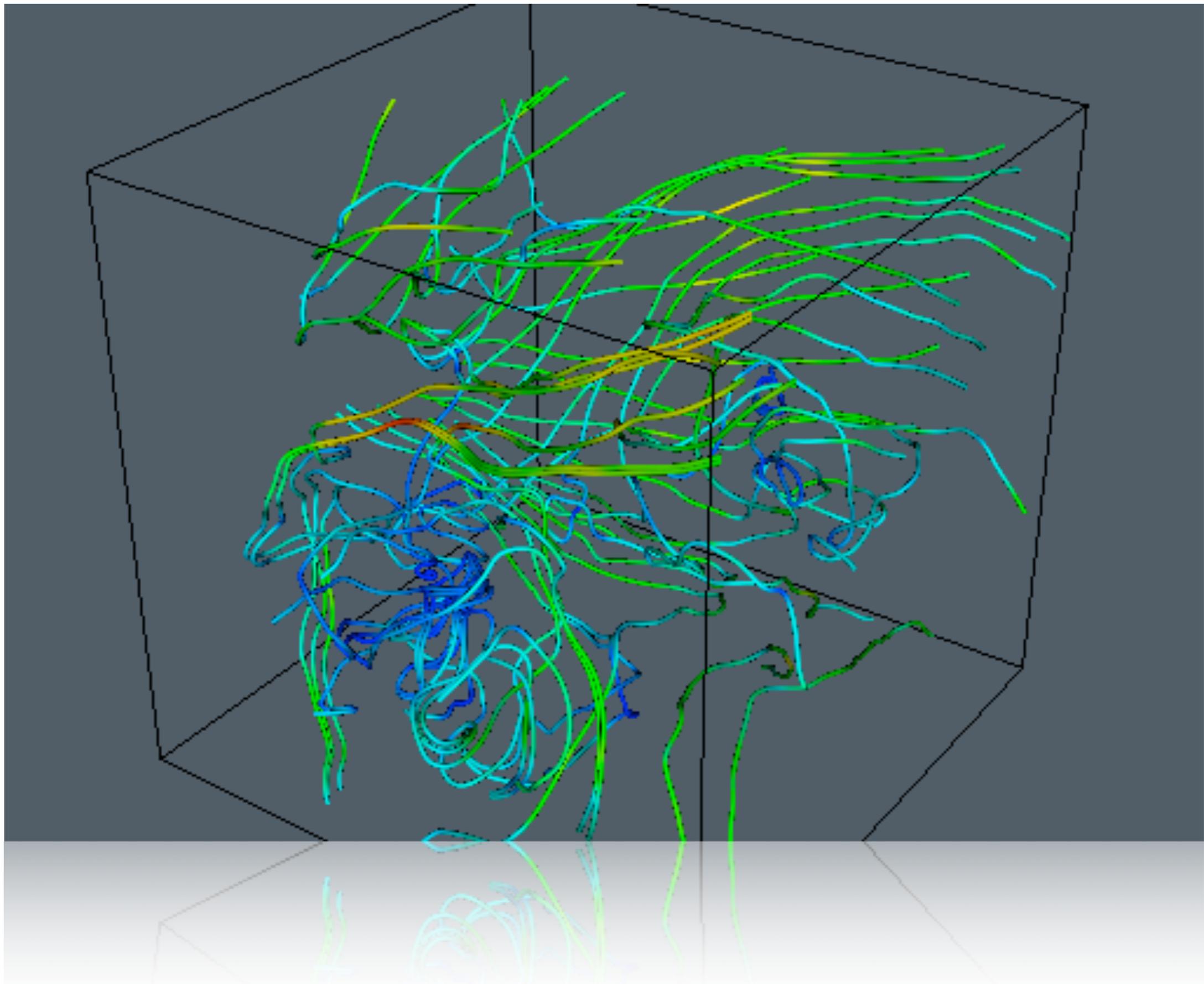
Joly et al (2008)

Twisting and Folding

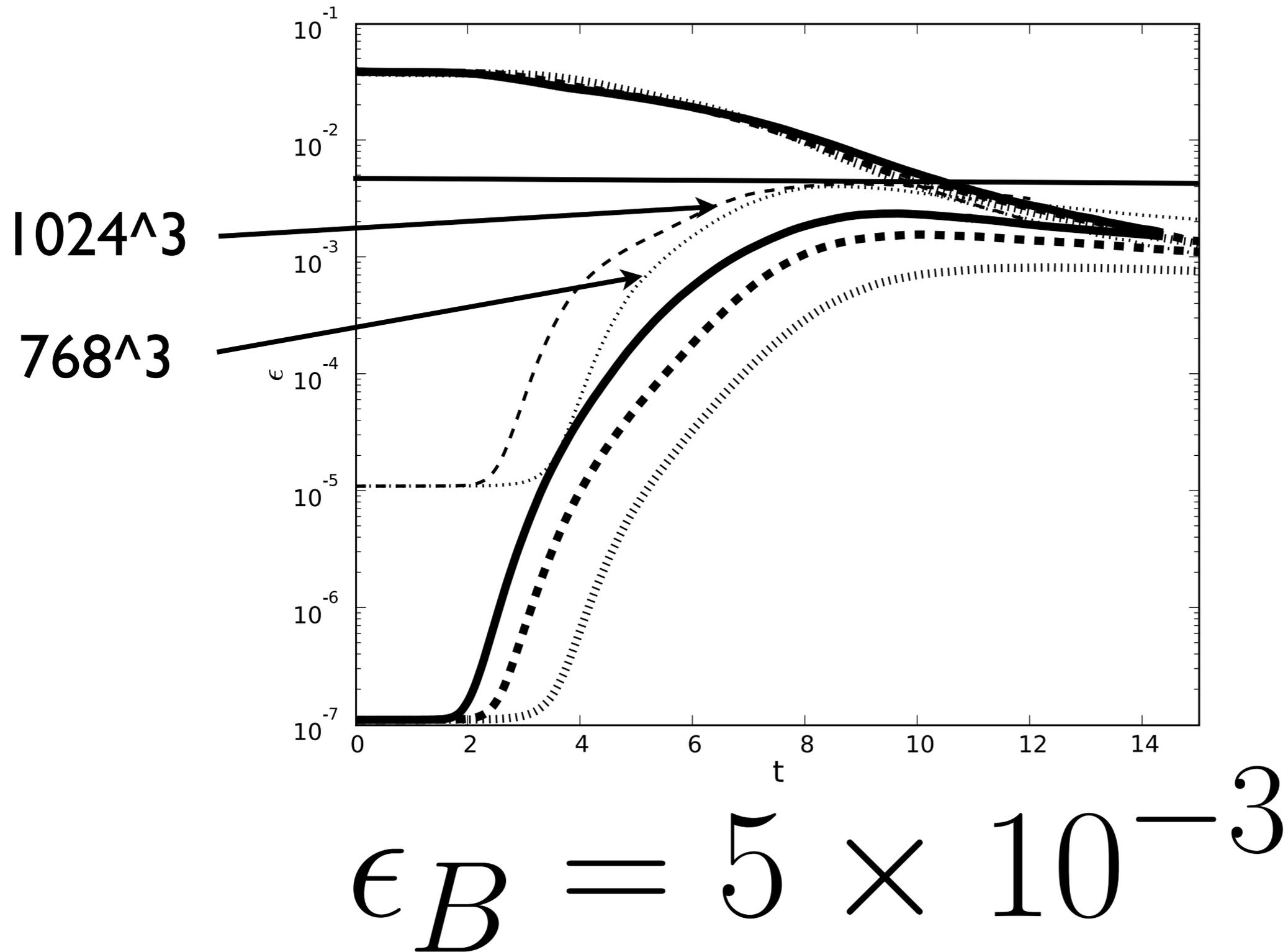


KH: 1024^3 Rel. MHD





Magnetic Energy Saturation



Conclusions

- Hi Res 2D AG jet sims - On/Off-Axis LCs
 - Delayed or hidden jet break, E overestimate?
 - Slow spreading
 - Orphan AGs - SNIbcs result holds
 - New $\theta_j = 0.05$ simulation
 - <http://cosmo.nyu.edu/afterglowlibrary>

Conclusions

- New Accurate PIC Code
- $\Gamma=2$ vs $\Gamma=15$
- Particle acceleration B-field (thin)
- Downstream field decay
- Bubble interactions

Conclusions

- Relativistic MHD sims of turbulence
- Mag Field Dynamo, $\epsilon_B = 0.01$
- Supersonic relativistic turbulence decays quickly